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# Can you spare a **Dollar** to send a boy to camp?



The time has come for Sigma Phi Epsilon to do something for someone outside its own membership. A project is needed which can be supported by all Sig Eps, alumni and undergraduates alike. At the last two Conclaves this matter has been considered and it has been decided that Sigma Phi Epsilon should encourage its alumni and active members to contribute their time, energy, and money to the support of already established camps for underprivileged boys which are being operated by the alumni and students of various universities and colleges throughout the country. It was felt that since we are an organization composed of college men, our support should be given to underprivileged boys' camps run by alumni and generally staffed by volunteer undergraduate counselors.

To aid in this undertaking our Executive Committee has authorized the establishment of a Sigma Phi Epsilon Camp Fund to which all Sig Eps are to be encouraged to contribute annually a dollar or more if they so desire. The operation of this fund will be carried on by the Central Office Staff under the direction of the Executive Committee and all expenses incurred in the collection of contributions will be paid for by the Grand Chapter as its share of this program. Thus every dollar contributed each year will be used 100 per cent for sending underprivileged boys to camp. Nothing will be taken out for expenses.

As time is short and this is entirely a new undertaking for our organization we propose to use all money contributed this spring to send, for approximately ten-day periods, as many worthy boys as possible to the University of Pennsylvania Camp for Boys at Green Lane, Pa. This camp is operated by the Christian Association of the University of Pennsylvania and is staffed by alumni and undergraduates of this institution. The boys will be selected by various settlement houses and neighborhood aid societies of Philadelphia. The reason why we have picked this camp in which to start our program is because many Sig Eps including your Grand Secretary are very familiar with its operation and have served there through the years as volunteer counselors. In fact, not so long ago two Sig Eps, Stewart W. Smyth, Penn Delta '42 and Warren H. Treston, Penn Delta '42 lost their lives there while engaged in this worthwhile work and we feel that this project could also serve as a fitting memorial to their memory.

If you approve of Sigma Phi Epsilon's participation in this project and are anxious to do your bit, please tear off and fill in the coupon below, attach a dollar—or more if you wish—enclose in an envelope and send it to Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, 15 North Sixth Street, Richmond, Va. All contributions must be received by May 15, 1950, so that the camp and the boys may be notified in plenty of time. If you send a check

make it payable to Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. We will mail you a postcard receipt and you will get a chance to see next fall the good your gift has done when the results are featured in the JOURNAL. This is your chance to help Sig Ep send many boys to camp. A gift of a dollar, given from your heart (not because it can be deducted from your income tax) will send a boy to camp this summer for almost a day.

Grand Secretary  
Central Office  
Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity  
15 North Sixth Street  
Richmond, Virginia

I am enclosing ..... dollars(s) as my contribution to the 1950 Sig Ep Camp Fund which is to be used by the Fraternity to send underprivileged boys to camp this summer.

Name .....  
Chapter and class .....  
Address .....

*William W. Hindman Jr.*

GRAND SECRETARY

# Journal

JUNE 1950

U. of South Carolina: Once the Home  
of Sigma Phi Epsilon's 12th Chapter



## ***A Call for Alumni Allegiance***

*By* DR. WILLIAM C. SMOLENSKE, Colorado Beta

*In joining Sigma Phi Epsilon we expressed faith in it, in its teaching, its laws, its brothers, its leadership. BUT do we still have faith in it, having passed by our student days so many years?*

*I believe that we do. I believe that most of us still possess the original sense of faith and loyalty in Sigma Phi Epsilon, but we have allowed it to lapse into disuse.*

*How proud we were when told that we were "Life Members"! But such membership, we must remind ourselves, carries obligations as well as privileges. Here are some of them. We should—*

*1. Write letters frequently to the chapter when doing so will encourage and inspire the fellows. Good sincere letters have that effect. Let the boys know that Doakes, '09, is still alive and occasionally thinking of them.*

*2. Visit the chapter, or, if we happen to live near another chapter, visit that one. Now and then you will run across a brother, as I did recently, who lives within a few blocks of a Sig Ep chapter house, yet has never crossed the threshold. That is shameful. Such a brother—and there are many—should permit his sense of loyalty to be stimulated, for he has neglected his faith.*

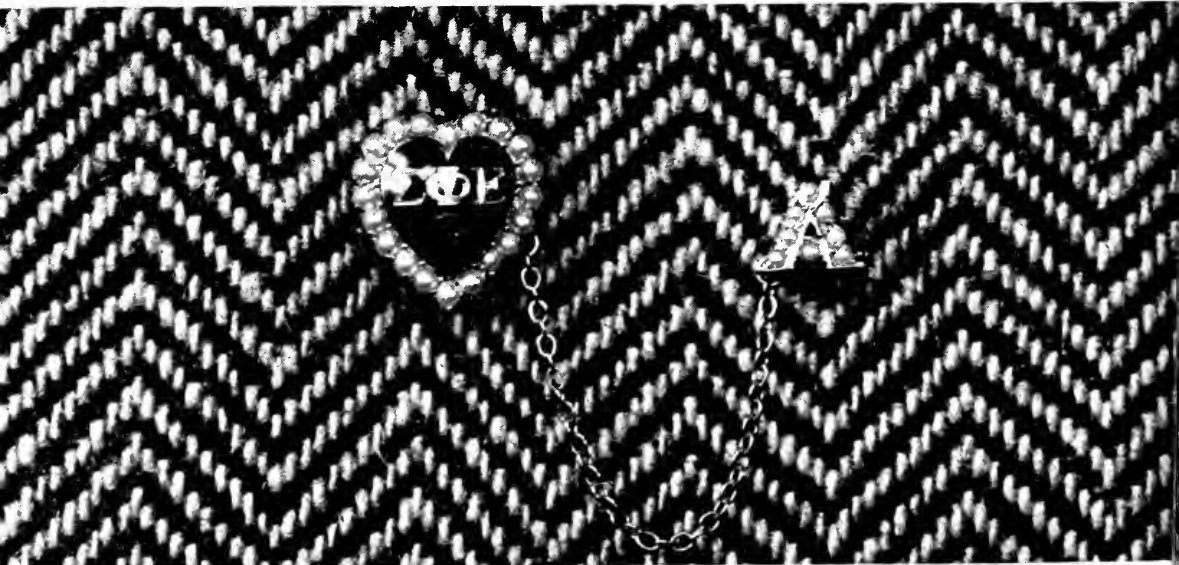
*3. Write to the chapter on a campus where a young man we know intends to enroll, giving such information as we have regarding him.*

*4. Drop the chapter a note of appreciation when we receive the chapter newsletter, or, if requested to fill out a questionnaire, do so immediately.*

*5. Send a gift, money or otherwise, when we have prospered.*

*I trust that all who read this will resolve to be more active as alumni. Brotherhood ranks above all else on earth and neglect of it is a backward force. It holds back the parade. It is a poor example for alumni to dangle neglect before the eyes of the actives who deserve to be given all possible help to operate successful chapters in every sense of the word successful. When actives see that the Fraternity no longer appears to concern the alumni, they immediately themselves feel that it is less worth while.*

*You are Life Members, brothers. Therefore be LIVE members.*



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—Ernest Howard Crosby

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HELEN BANE, Editorial Assistant

Address your letter to the Editor at 609 East 74th Terrace, Kansas City, Mo. The quality of our magazine will improve in direct proportion to the number of Sig Eps who contribute items to it and who participate in its policies by expressing themselves thoughtfully, truthfully and constructively.

### **Tribute to Hosts**

Since the reactivation of Minnesota Alpha last May, a number of our men have visited chapter houses throughout the United States.

On every occasion we have been received with the greatest hospitality and cordiality. For this we extend our many thanks again. Among the best was Indiana Beta which put up with four of us several days overtime, provided us with terrific dates and finally with private transportation.

Other chapters included Michigan Alpha, Illinois Alpha, Illinois Beta, Wisconsin Beta, D.C. Alpha, California Beta, Ohio Gamma, and others. Each of these not only gave housing and board, but fellowship, time, and energy to prove the best of hosts.

This may be familiar to many of the older men and established chapters, but to us who are new this year it shows the real and fine spirit of brotherhood for which fraternal association in Sigma Phi Epsilon stands.—DAVID B. BIRT, President, Minnesota Alpha.

### **Sic Transit Tulane**

I notice in the new *Directory* that the chapter at Tulane, of which I was a charter member, has been inactive for a long time. I'm very interested to know why it has been inactive. If possible, I wish you would furnish this information.—MERLIN N. HANSON, Miami, Fla.

- *Because its leadership had not amply prepared it for the lean war period, the Tulane chapter surrendered its charter in August, 1941.*—ED.

### **Tribute to Pafford**

I share in the deep grief of the sorrowing parents, sister and all Sig Eps in the passing of our dear brother Charles H. Pafford, Jr. on March 7, 1950.

Charles was one of the noblest Christian young men I have ever known. He was a loving and devoted son and brother, a faithful friend, a patriotic citizen and a loyal and active member of our beloved Fraternity. At the time of the terrible accident, he was on the call of duty as a member of the Central Office staff of the Fraternity.

The writer was doubly saddened because of his inability to attend the funeral services of Charlie in Daytona Beach, Fla., at four o'clock



The new *Directory* gets a once-over. From left: Faculty adviser Walter Cole, Fayetteville alumni association president James T. Phillips, and District Governor Fred Murdock are photographed at Arkansas Alpha house.

on the afternoon of March 10. But we held a memorial service at the same hour in the Florida Alpha house here in Gainesville which was attended by active members of the chapter and alumni.

The sincere and loving sympathy of all Sig Eps is assured the bereaved parents and sister of our brother.

*Not now, but in the coming years,  
It may be in the better land,  
We'll read the meaning of our tears,  
And there, sometime, we'll understand.*

—THOS. V. MCCAUL, Gainesville, Fla.

- *Other tributes to Charles Pafford appear under Vital Data.*—ED.

### **Maybe**

I have always had a feeling that Sig Ep has been too concerned about the expansion of the number of chapters rather than improving the quality of any one chapter along with improving the chapter's position on campus. It is not the numbers of chapters but the *quality* of each chapter that gains pledges and prestige on campus.—ROBERT T. HOLTZ, Wisconsin Beta, '47 543 New Gulph Road, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

- *It may seem odd, however, the history of the college fraternity movement actually discloses that out of QUANTITY on Fraternity Row comes QUALITY.*—ED.

### **Why Isn't There—?**

Why isn't there some plan for de-activation rather than resignation which almost separates them from Sig Ep forever. . . . Most fraternities use a plan whereby men who find it necessary to leave due to illness, finances, or pressure of

school or personal matters can be treated in a fashion similar to that which they would receive had they been graduated. It seems that a resignation is such an extreme step to take that a softer, easier step could be made. The necessity for such drastic action must make many "resignees" feel that the fraternity doesn't have that personal attitude toward them that they thought it had. What do some of you other chapters think about action less severe than resignation—merely de-activation?—GLENN DAVIS, *Ohio Eta*, Oxford, Ohio.

## Pro-Con

Let's have a few *pro-con* articles on controversial issues of the Fraternity.—KNIGHT HOUGHTON, secretary, *Michigan Alpha*, Ann Arbor, Mich.

■ *Such as what?*

## Rectification

A terrible error was somehow committed in the April JOURNAL, and it must be rectified.

Tennessee Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon is the winner of the University of Tennessee's Annual All-Sing competition, instead of runner-up as was stated in the last issue. It is true that the Sig Eps did come in fourth in the All-Sing try-outs, and the Phi Gams did come in first, but the situation was exactly reversed in the all-important finals.

The Sig Ep All-Sing group is the first group ever to attempt All-Sing using neither a director nor accompaniment of some sort! Contrary to the opinion of many observers and competitors, this was not conceived in a sudden desire for something sensational, but was the product of dire necessity. The chapter had no one who was capable of directing the group, an accompanist could have been hired, but with no director, there seemed to be little need for an accompanist, so neither was used, and *we won*.—BOB SUTHERLAND, historian, *Tennessee Alpha*, Knoxville, Tenn.

## Round-Up in Wichita

The fact might be of interest to men in the Wichita area that brother Jerome M. Johnson, 1739 Ferrell Drive, Colorado Alpha, '21, has been appointed local rushing chairman for 1950. He is contacting active chapters in nearby states to determine whether they need help on pledge prospects from the Wichita area. Once liaison is established we shall have organized channels for making our own referrals to such chapters. By the same token, any actives now leaving school and planning to locate in Wichita are urged to contact brother Johnson upon arrival here.—L. B. KAPPELMAN, Kansas Gamma, vice-president, Wichita Alumni Association.

## Chapter Paper

We are much interested in entering our paper *Beta Data* in competition for the award for the best fraternity newspaper, and would like you to let us in on the scoop on what the deal on it is. I understand that there have to be three issues to be judged. We intend to publish two more before 1951; one in May and one in November or thereabouts. I would appreciate your advice in this matter.—WILLIAM B. TOWNE, chapter editor, *Florida Beta*, Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.

■ The Beta Data would indeed appear to be a worthy contender. The Benjamin Hobson Frayser Award is a plaque presented annually by the Grand Chapter to the chapter newspaper judged to be best of those entered. The award for the term 1948-49 was made to the U. of Virginia chapter for the Cavalier. The next award will be the one for the 1949-50 term and will be announced in the October, 1950, JOURNAL. A chapter should publish at least two issues during the college term. Copies should be sent to the Editor of the JOURNAL, who serves as the chairman of a three-man committee of judges. The other two members are Sig Ep journalists who have maintained interest in Sig Ep activity.—ED.

## Our Cover

THE University of South Carolina's Davis College building, which houses the departments of English and Foreign Languages, is a true landmark of the campus at Columbia and makes an unusual cover subject.

The University was founded in 1801 and the first fraternity, Delta Psi, came there in 1850 and went out with the advent of the War Between the States in '61. Sigma Phi Epsilon first came there in 1904, left two years later because of University ruling, returned in 1929, left again on January 27, 1938, and has not been back since the war.

S.C. is chosen as our JOURNAL cover subject because this issue is slanted for the alumni and because 90 issues of the JOURNAL, more or less, have been published without giving the men of South Carolina Alpha any real reminder that they are Life Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

For the same reason, there appear in this issue other views of campuses where Sig Eps were initiated once but have ceased to be initiated because their chapters are no longer there.

To Sigma Phi Epsilon's homeless old grads, this issue is in part dedicated.





Wren Building of the College of William and Mary was already here when Sig Ep arrived in 1904. Oldest academic structure in the U.S., it was restored after Sig Ep departed in '38.

## Sigma Phi Epsilon's Forgotten Chapters

Main hall at Bethany College, Bethany, W.Va.  
Fraternity's sixth chapter came here in 1903.



Of the Fraternity's 16 lost chapters there are several—such as those at William and Mary and Washington and Lee—that were gems in her crown.

**M**ost Sig Eps who are interested in their chapters and their fraternity are familiar with the names of the active chapters. It is a relatively small group, however, of men who can remember, or indeed perhaps ever knew, the names of the *inactive* chapters.

There are sixteen campuses which once boasted active groups of the Fraternity that for one reason or another are no longer in existence. The state of Virginia had five of these, Pennsylvania four. Of these inactive groups, that at Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, initiated the fewest—five; while the College of William and Mary initiated the most—353.

Also, a number of these chapters, such as William and Mary, operated for nearly a generation, while others ran no longer than the college term in which they received their charters.

These groups went inactive for various reasons. Some, like Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, had little control over their destinies, for the colleges legislated them out of business. Similarly, at Virginia



Military Institute, Lexington, Va., where the administration commanded the return of the charter.

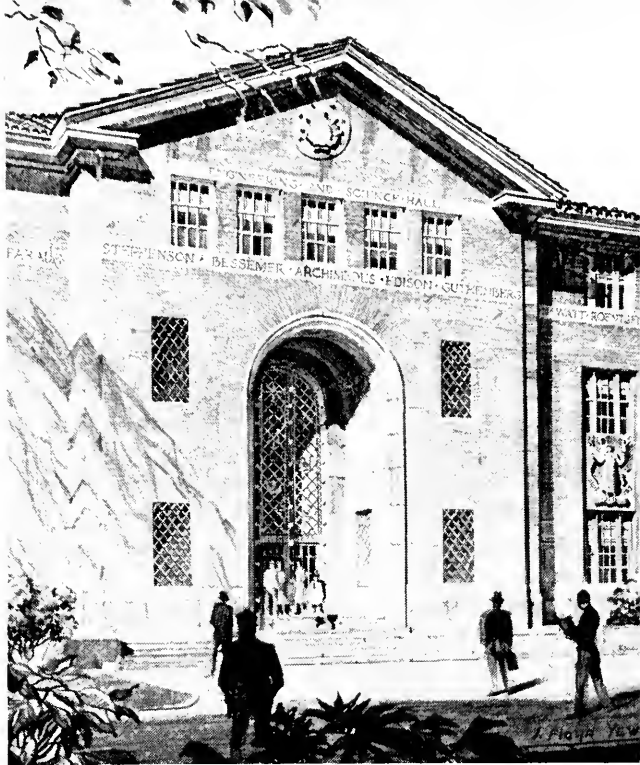
At still other institutions, such as at Wittenberg in Ohio and Washington and Jefferson in Pennsylvania, there was too little organization, effort, and interest on the part of the local groups to assure their perpetuation.

There are other reasons, also, but whatever they may be, members of the Fraternity everywhere may be especially interested in a brief enumeration of these at the present time. The 100th chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon—Utah Beta at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City—received its charter on February 25. The 101st and 102nd have since been installed.

Throughout the nation there are already 100 campuses that foster Sig Ep brotherhood. But as the stories of the 100th chapter and those to follow are told, perhaps a brief footnote may be permitted in which to mention 16 colleges which at one time or another also fostered Sig Ep brotherhood.

**The Lost Sixteen**

Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa., was installed on October 17, 1908, and lasted less than a year. Only 13 men were initiated. It was Pennsylvania Zeta.

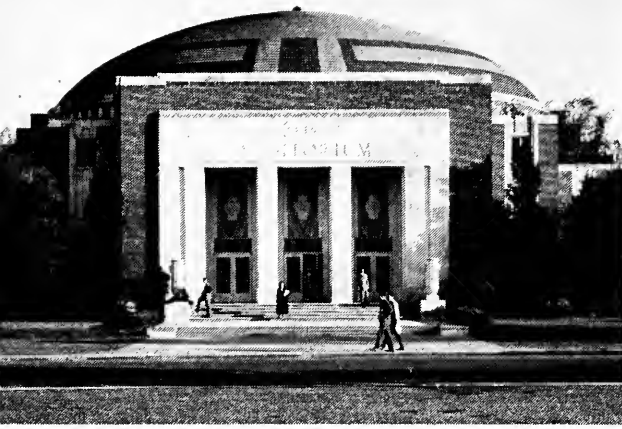


One of new buildings proposed at Carnegie Tech, Pittsburgh. Charter withdrawn in '37.

Bethany College, Bethany, W.Va., was installed as West Virginia Alpha on March 23, 1903. Only 10 men were initiated. Charter was withdrawn 2 years later. It was the Fraternity's sixth chapter.

Another venerable college edifice is University Hall at Brown University, erected in 1770. It is one of few such buildings still standing. Sigma Phi Epsilon was active here 1912-1919.





Tulane University's McAlister Auditorium in New Orleans, Louisiana, was erected in 1940.

Brown University, Providence, R.I., was installed as Rhode Island Alpha, November 27, 1912. It initiated 42 men and lasted until 1917.

Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., was installed as Penn Theta on October 10, 1925. The charter was withdrawn on March 3, 1937, after 137 men had been initiated.

Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., received a Sig Ep chapter—Alabama's third—on May 16, 1930, but it gave up the ghost an even five years later having initiated 43 men.

Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, became the Fraternity's seventh chapter back on October 23, 1903. It lasted for nine years and the charter was retired only when social fraternities were no longer permitted on that exclusively medical campus. It initiated 94 men. Its most interested historian (unofficial) through the years has been Dr. Adna S. Jones of Dundee, N.Y. Dr. Jones knew all the Penn Betans of old and still knows them. Whenever an obituary notice on one of them appears in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Dr. Jones accommodatingly sends it along to the JOURNAL. Back in 1906-07 he served as Grand Historian of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Most celebrated member of the chapter is Dr. Edward A. Strecker, head of the department of Psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania and one of this country's most respected psychiatric authorities.

The Medical College of Virginia, at Richmond, received the Fraternity's second chap-

ter on October 30, 1902, but it was withdrawn in 1905, with the ascendancy of professional medical groups on the medical campuses. Although it lasted more than two years it initiated only five men three of whom were already dead by 1940.

Roanoke College, at Salem, Va., the third chapter to be installed in that state and the fifth for the Fraternity, went in on February 20, 1903, and out about two years later at which time the roster ran to an even dozen men.

The University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C., was counted as the 73rd chapter of the Fraternity until its charter was withdrawn in 1938. However, it first came into being on May 2, 1904, but never got much of a start so ceased operations in 1906. Then it came on the scene again in November, 1929.

There are many loyal South Carolina Alphans, among them being William M. Skidmore, '35, who is a sparkplug of the Oklahoma City alumni group.

Tulane University, New Orleans, La., was the only chapter of the Fraternity ever to be chartered in Louisiana. It existed from April 20, 1929, until the manpower problem of World War II overbore it.

There are a number of enthusiastic Tulane Sig Eps who have hopes of an early restoration there. Among these is a former sparkplug of the Chicago Alumni Chapter, who moved to Mercedes, Texas, several years ago to grow luscious oranges and grapefruit by the Rio Grande. Armand P. Texada, Jr., of the class of '35, is another of these whose enthusiasm was dimmed only a little.

Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va., which once had its place on the national roster as Virginia Theta, is famous still for it gave the fraternity world two U. S. Army generals—blood brothers: Lt. Gen. Leonard Townsend Gerow, Commander of the first Army, stationed in Virginia, and Lee Saunders Gerow, who is stationed at Washington, D.C.

This chapter was installed on January 25, 1908, and continued until the social fraternities there were legislated off the campus in 1912.

Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa., is Pennsylvania Alpha in the

history of Sigma Phi Epsilon. It became a chapter on November 28, 1902, and ceased to be one in 1906, having initiated 25 men.

Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., was installed on March 30, 1906, and does not seem so much a dead chapter as a dormant one. It has a large body of loyal alumni who feel that a re-installation is imminent. Of all the inactive chapters, this one has the second largest roster of alumni—270. (The one having the largest will be discussed presently.) Its most celebrated alumnus is Virginia's former Governor, William Munford Tuck.

The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va., installed in June, 1904, and withdrawn in the same month 34 years later, is another chapter that seems merely dormant. It has a roster of no less than 353 alumni. The College, in existence before colonial days, is hoary with notable traditions.

Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, received a charter as Ohio Beta on March 21, 1905. Only six men were initiated, never any

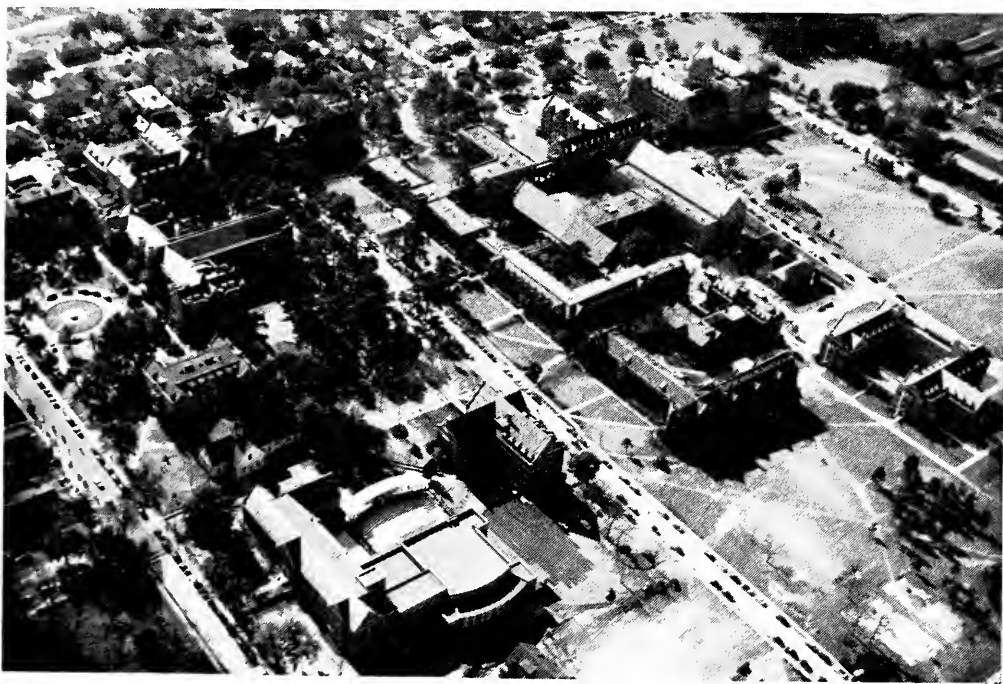
more, and the group disbanded the following year.

The College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, came into being as Ohio Delta on June 1, 1912, and ceased operation about two years later after 31 men had been initiated.

### Will Any Come Back?

For all 16 of Sigma Phi Epsilon's lost chapters to be returned to the fold would be an impossibility. But certainly not all of the 16 are lost forever. Indeed, perhaps not a single one of the 16 is really forgotten. Chapters of other fraternities are progressing on many of the campuses. Who would not be proud of Delta Sigma Phi's good one at Tulane? Or of Deke or Beta or Phi Delt there?

At present efforts are being made that will pave the way to re-installation of a fair number of the lost chapters at the earliest date possible. The success of such re-establishment depends to a considerable extent upon the alumni. If the determination and the effort of the alumni become sufficiently strong then the way is not impossible.



Airview of Florida State University campus, Tallahassee. Large building in left foreground is the new Music Building, reported to be the world's finest. Dormitory Row is shown in center of picture with Westcott Hall, main administration building, pictured in upper left. But this campus does not house the ghost of a departed chapter. Turn the page to read about Sig Ep's 101st.



Westcott Hall is typical of the beautiful buildings at Florida State. It houses administration.

# Florida State Has Our 101st

By CHARLES W. DILS

**A group that has led all fraternities in scholarship standing since it was organized receives charter as Florida Epsilon at Tallahassee on May 6th.**

**C**HAPTER No. 101 joined the lengthening roster of Sigma Phi Epsilon on May 6, when Grand President Charles S. Thompson of Philadelphia presented a charter to men of the Sigma Epsilon Colony at Florida State University.

This gave Florida a fifth chapter, joining ranks with Alpha at Florida, Beta at Stetson, Gamma at Miami, and Delta at Florida Southern.

Official installation took place at the banquet Saturday evening, May 6, when Paul Curtis, president of the local colony, received the charter.

Grand National President Charles Thompson was on hand to present the charter to Paul Curtis, president of the local chapter.

Other National officers present were Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., and Gus Schmidt, field secretary. The widely known and well-loved founder, Uncle Billy Phillips, was also on hand for the installation.

Weekend festivities began with a house party for Sig Eps and their guests at the chapter house, located at the West Campus of Florida State University, formerly Dale Mabry Air Force Base. Because of the small size of the house, the chapter does not have a housemother, and this was the first coed function to be held at the house.

Field Secretary Gus Schmidt arrived at Tallahassee a few days before the installation to help prepare for the various events but found all preparations well under way and enjoyed some leisure time in which to acquaint himself with the campus. Charles Thompson and Bill Hindman arrived on Saturday morning and witnessed the initiation ceremonies which took place in a building that had formerly been an army mess-hall nearby the fraternity house. Fifteen men were initiated, the first as a member of Florida Beta (Stetson), and the others as members of the F.S.U. chapter.

A delicious luncheon was prepared and served at the Sig Ep house Saturday noon by the wives of the married men of the chapter. The final step of the initiation ceremony, the interpretation, was conducted by Bill Hindman. Also witnessing the initiation, which included two of his sons, was

Reeves Bowen, Sr., a charter member of the University of Florida chapter.

The following men were initiated:

Florida Beta: Eugene Lutkie, St. Louis, Mo.

Florida Epsilon: Warren Birt, Jacksonville; John Benkert, Bayshore, L.I., N.Y.; Reeves Bowen, Jr., Tallahassee; Tom Bowen, Tallahassee; T. L. (Bob) Brown, Bradenton; Chris Dale, Jacksonville; Charles Dils, Reading, Ohio; Bob Fowler, Bartow; John Larsen, Key West; Candfield Lewin, Key West; Burdest Mimms, Tallahassee; Floyd Glisson, Tallahassee; Dean Rochester, Seattle, Wash.; and Richard Yeager, Jacksonville.

Members of the initiation team from Stetson were Paul Mac Alester (acting pres.), Doug Harrell (acting vice-president), Bill Cox, Bruce Lane, Roy Unkefer, and Fred Schilling. Members of the U. of Florida team were Clyde Smith (president), John Gardiner (vice-president), Jim Shoffner and Loyd Lyle.

The formal installation banquet was held Saturday evening in the Lafayette Room of the F.S.U. dining halls. Seventy men attended, including the national officers, local alumni, University administrative officials, members and pledges of the chapter, the initiating teams, members of Sig Ep chapters at Georgia Tech, Stetson, U. of Florida, and presidents of other campus fraternities. Paul Curtis, president of Epsilon chapter, served as the toastmaster and gave the welcome. Reeves Bowen, Sr., a member of the Tallahassee alumni group and assistant attorney general for the State of Florida gave the brief and well-received response. Bill Hindman then gave a word from the national and stressed the co-operation of all the fraternities at the F.S.U. campus in order to provide a home-like and healthful form of campus life for college men. Otis McBride, Dean of Men at F.S.U., talked about the history and accomplishments of fraternities on the campus. Uncle Billy Phillips voiced his happiness at seeing the installation of the 101st chapter of the Fraternity which he collaborated in founding and to which he has contributed a lifetime of work. L. B. Gravely, president of the Tallahassee alumni, also spoke about the role of the alumni in helping found Florida Epsilon.



President Paul Curtis of Florida State's new chapter holds charter given him by Thompson.

The main speaker of the evening was Grand President Charles Thompson who urged the men of the newly formed chapter to get the utmost from fraternity life and cautioned them to continue to uphold the precepts and ideals of Sigma Phi Epsilon. "You only get out of a fraternity what you put into it," was the final advice offered by him. He then presented the charter to Paul Curtis.

The final ceremony at the banquet was the installation of chapter officers by Gus Schmidt. Those who were formally installed, but held their offices since the founding of the local, were Paul Curtis, president; Chris Dale, vice-president; Al Smith, secretary; Charles Baumann, comptroller; and Warren Birt, historian. The banquet was concluded with the singing of the Anthem.

Immediately after the banquet the group adjourned to the F.S.U. student union at the West campus where the "Queen of Hearts" ball was held. Bob Cole, a local orchestra, provided the melodious rhythm for dancing against the background of beautiful decorations featuring the Sig Ep heart and purple and red colors. A committee of judges composed of Charles Thompson, Bill Hindman, and Dr. Carl Clamp, a member of the local alumni, selected Mrs. Virginia Mimms, charming wife of member Bill Mimms, to reign as



G. P. Charles Thompson presents locket to Florida Epsilon's "Queen," Mrs. Bill Mimms, as Dr. Carl Cramp and Bill Hindman watch.

"Queen of Hearts." She was presented with a gold, heart-shaped locket as a remembrance of her coronation. The dance was open to all students and faculty members of the University and drew numerous praises for being a gay and congenial affair.

Social festivities for the weekend were concluded Sunday in a grand manner with a beach party at Alligator Point on the Gulf of Mexico. Thirty Sig Ep couples enjoyed the warm sun, cool breezes, and tangy surf before gathering around the campfire to eat and sing songs.

### The Local Group

The F.S.U. group had its beginning on November 14, 1949, when three active Sig Eps banded together with their friends with the help and encouragement of the Tallahassee alumni, to form Sigma Epsilon local fraternity. These men were Paul Curtis, a transfer from Stetson who was elected president of the group; Al Smith and Charles Baumann, former U. of Florida students, who were elected secretary and comptroller, respectively. During the first month of its existence, the fraternity held its meetings in a classroom of the Education Building at the campus. At the first of this year the colony moved into a house provided by the school that accommodated 15 men. The building was previously a part of the base hospital and more recently has been a dental laboratory for the Tallahassee Municipal Hospital.

From the very beginning the group had established as its goal the petitioning of Sigma Phi Epsilon for a charter. With close co-operation from the late Charles Pafford, former Field Secretary, the colony made

rapid strides toward its destination. Pafford was formerly the president of Florida Alpha and then transferred to Stetson where he was a major factor in forming Florida Beta. He was also president of the colony at Stetson and was succeeded by none other than Paul Curtis, who is now prexy of Epsilon. The co-operation between the two brothers who were both charter members of the Stetson chapter, resulted in a rapid but continual and stable growth for the young colony, and after a few short months they were solidly established and had petitioned the national.

Sigma Epsilon had embarked upon active social, academic, and athletic programs that helped them to produce a firmly knit organization. An indication of an exceptionally stable foundation is the fact that they have led all other fraternities on the campus in scholarship since they have been organized. They fielded intramural basketball, tennis, volleyball, bowling, softball, swimming, track, and golf teams.

With 20 to 30 men until shortly before the installation, approximately one-third of whom were married, these achievements are very creditable.

Members of the chapter who are active in other campus activities are Paul Curtis, debate team and Gold Key honorary; Al Smith and Charles Baumann, Junior Hotel Men of America; John Benkert, business manager of the annual; Richard Yeager, junior senator; Bob Fowler, sophomore senator; Chris Dale, vice-president of the Pre-Law Club; Charles Dils, exchange editor of the student newspaper; Candy Lewin, Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity; and pledges Herb Marsh, president of men's government association and Gold Key; and Jim Taylor, Delta Sigma Pi, political science honorary.

Besides the previously mentioned officers, there are some men who are to be commended for their work in other positions. These are Bob Fowler, social chairman and pledge trainer; Candy Lewin, athletic manager; John Benkert, IFC representative; Charles Dils, house manager and publicity director, Bob Brown, chaplain; and Bill Mimms, guard.



### The University

Florida State University is an integral part of the city of Tallahassee which is situated in the northwestern part of the state and has a population of 26,000.

Established first in 1857 as the "Seminary West of the Suwannee," the University served as the Florida State College for Women from 1905 until 1947. By act of the Florida legislature, the institution became the coeducational Florida State University on May 15, 1947.

The school has grown from a seminary consisting of three buildings and an enrollment of approximately 150 to a university with a physical plant of 33 permanent structures and a student body of 5,512. A faculty and staff of about 1,000 comprise the teaching and administrative personnel.

F.S.U. has seven major divisions—College of Arts and Sciences, School of Education, School of Home Economics, School of Music, School of Library Training and Service, Division of Applied Social Sciences, and the Graduate School. The Division of Applied Social Sciences is made up of the departments of commerce, journalism, public administration, restaurant and hotel management, and social work. Courses leading to master's degrees are provided in 34 areas and for the doctorate in music, home economics, and education.

The University is a small community within itself. Located on the campus are a postoffice, bookstore, student bank, library, little theatre, laundry, dining halls, hospital, radio station, newspaper, bus service, and police force. The 960-acre university farm produces much of the fresh milk and other supplies for the dining rooms.

Many students supplement their budgets with part-time employment at the University or off campus. Certain loan scholarships and other financial aid are available, also.

Campus life is regulated largely by the students themselves through their University Government Association. Students also manage the weekly newspaper, *Florida Flambeau*; the quarterly magazine, *Talaria*; the year-book, *Tally-Ho*; and the radio station, WFSU.

Nine residence halls accommodate the

2,200 women students living on the University's East Campus. Living quarters for the men are located on the West Campus, some three miles distant.

University colors are garnet and gold; the teams are known as the Seminoles. The emblem with its three torches and motto of "*Vires, Artes, Mores*" symbolizes the purposes of the University—to pass on the principles of strength, character, and skill from one generation to another.

The national and local fraternities on campus are: Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Phi colony of Phi Delta Theta, Chi Sigma (colony of Sigma Chi), Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Kappa (colony of Kappa Sigma), Lambda Chi (colony of Lambda Chi Alpha), Nu Sigma (colony of Sigma Nu), Phi Kappa Tau, Pi Kappa Alpha, Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Theta Chi.

The national sororities are: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Phi Epsilon, Delta Zeta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Delta, Phi Mu, Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Kappa, and Zeta Tau Alpha.

The University has provided housing for all but two of the fraternities on the campus. These two are renting their own homes, and the sororities which have been located on this campus for many years own their own chapter houses. The administration is much in favor of fraternities and sororities and gives them all assistance.



HILL EMERY, MONTANA

"Sure you don't mean Sigma Alpha Epsilon?"



Landmark for Penn Staters. Old Main.

## Penn State Men Burn a Mortgage

By HARRY A. SAVISKY

**Alumni enjoy 35th anniversary party aided by Grand President Thompson, Uncle Billy Phillips, and District Governor W. E. Rogers, a native son.**

**P**ENN STATE Sig Eps can now boast that they are one of the few of the 50 fraternities on their campus to own their house. A mortgage-burning ceremony highlighted the 35th anniversary celebration which took place at State College April 14 and 15.

Following four months of advertising, approximately 80 alumni and 50 wives came back "home" for the week-end festivities. The program for Friday evening was an informal get-together for the long-lost brothers and their wives. Among the distinguished speakers present were Dean Emeritus A. Ray Warnock, a Beta, and Soccer Coach Bill Jeffrey, who welcomed everyone back.

After a full-course brunch was served from nine until twelve Saturday morning, the alumni took a tour of the college campus, guides having been provided by the College publicity department. Beginning at three-thirty at the State College Hotel the wives found entertainment in the form of a canasta party followed by a dinner. Corsages of roses and violets were the gift of the active chapter to the ladies.

The great event of the weekend was the stag banquet which began at five-thirty at the chapter house. The invocation was given by Grand President Charles S. Thompson and Sam Gearhart, president of the Alumni Board acted as toastmaster. Following welcome

Anniversary Banquet Table. Left to right, Carl Petersen, Field Secretary; Will E. Rogers, charter member; Walter G. Fly, former Grand President; Charles S. Thompson, Grand President; Harry Savisky, chapter president; Sam Gearhart, Alumni Board president; Matty Mateer, co-chairman; Don Day, Alumni Board treasurer; Uncle Billy; J. E. Cummins, charter member.





notes by Matty Mateer, of the Hotel State College, and Harry A. Savisky, chapter president, Sam Gearhart introduced the speakers.

Charter member Will E. Rogers, now governor of District XIII, talked on the origin of the Sigma Phi Epsilon charter at Penn State.

After Don Day, alumni board treasurer, gave the financial report, he struck the match which burned the mortgage, during which time the active chapter glee club sang the Fraternity Anthem.

For his many years of distinguished service to the alumni board and to the active chapter, Matty Mateer was presented with a plaque by Harry G. Hoehler, '24. It was Brother Mateer who gave the house a gift of 288 pieces of silverware.

Another charter member, John E. Cummins, then gave a résumé of the activity of the Sigma Tau Fraternity, the local from which Penn Eta of Sigma Phi Epsilon sprung.

We were also most fortunate to be blessed by the presence of Uncle Billy who expressed his happiness over the progress of Penn Eta since his last visit in 1915 and also his desire to be present at the 50th anniversary in 1965 "if the wheels keep rolling."

Following Walter G. Fly who spoke on his years and memories as a Grand Chapter officer, Field Secretary Carl O. Petersen, told the brothers that we mustn't stop forging ahead now that the mortgage had been burned, but that we should try for even higher attainments in the years to come. Grand President Charles S. Thompson concluded the list of speeches with his talk on the Grand Chapter today.

Ends of the long banquet tables and the head table were decorated with American beauty roses. At each place at the tables was a printed program and song sheet for those who had forgotten the words. The campus publication, the *Daily Collegian*, carried announcements of the celebration. Among the delegates who arrived for the weekend were those from Penn Delta and Penn Lambda. In true Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit, all brothers clasped hands and sang the Fraternity Anthem which marked the close of the banquet.



Savisky burns mortgage while Day looks on.

The climax of the weekend was the dance at the house on Saturday night, music being provided by Jack Huber and his orchestra, one of the finest bands on campus. Many alumni were quite happy at the hospitality offered them and the opportunity to review their college experiences in their original setting.

Installed on May 8, 1915, as the eighth chapter in Pennsylvania, its 35 years of success were unbroken by either war, and it has initiated more than 500 brothers.



Marlin C. Mateer, '22, and the Mrs. They gave the chapter 288 pieces of silverware.



Frank Ruck, right, presents charter to Jack Braunig, Syracuse, '46. Seated, from left, Douglas Johnson, Maine, '48, Mrs. Braunig, Dist. Gov. Sanderson, and Jerald Toogood, Nebraska, '50.

# Boston Bolsters Its Alumni Bond

By DOUGLAS JOHNSON

**Charter for an alumni chapter,  
the first in New England, is  
presented to the 400 men of  
the Boston Alumni Association.**

**T**HE heightened activities of Sigma Phi Epsilon in New England for the last several years received due acknowledgment on the night of April 20, when the Boston alumni group received a charter as a chapter from the national fraternity.

Frank J. Ruck, Jr., assistant to the Grand Secretary, was on hand to make the presentation. Present also was District Governor Trueman L. Sanderson, Massachusetts Beta, '31, of Wayland, Mass., whose energies are responsible for much of Sigma Phi Epsilon's recent prosperity in New England.

The installation banquet was held at 518 Beacon Street, Boston, and was attended by 50 Sig Ep alumni and undergraduates and their sweethearts. Jack Braunig, Syracuse,

'46, in accepting the charter from Frank Ruck expressed thanks for the co-operation of both the local group and the national chapter in attaining this objective.

William T. Lindsay, Jr., R.P.I., '48, as toastmaster, introduced the speakers and his comical touch added impetus to the program.

Donald Jordan, the first guest speaker, represented the undergraduates of Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Don told the alumni of Massachusetts Beta achievements during the year: first place in bowling, basketball, inter-fraternity sing, table tennis, and track.

Jerald Toogood, Nebraska Alpha, '50, secretary of the Boston Alumni Chapter and President pro-tem of a group planning at Sig Ep chapter at Boston University, gave the alumni some facts about these men. Although recognition is pending, there are 30 members in this group representing six schools in Boston University. Most of the men in the present group are class officers in their respective colleges, some are varsity athletes, several are widely known in music circles, and many are officers and members in other campus activities. In short, they are men of high character who are building a fine fraternity with the sincere desire to become a part of a true fraternity that is not forgotten upon graduation.

In his presentation speech Frank Ruck reviewed the national picture of the Fraternity for the alumni. He also re-emphasized the

benefits of fraternal life, pointing out that all graduates who joined an alumni group could carry on the good fellowship that they found in their college days.

District Governor Trueman L. Sanderson addressed the group briefly on plans for future progress in New England. He also enumerated some of the things that an alive alumni chapter could and should accomplish.

Entertainment, during and after the banquet, was provided by two excellent singing groups. The "Baritones," a quartet from the Boston University group, presented songs in Barber Shop Quartet style.

The second singing group was Massachusetts Beta's prize winning Octet. These boys have just won the interfraternity sing at W.P.I. The octet presented some beautiful renditions of Sig Ep songs as well as the old favorites. Members of the octet: Don Jordan, Richard Foltz, Frank Mueller, John Orcutt, Bob Turek, Alen Hansen, Warren Palmer, and George Borski.

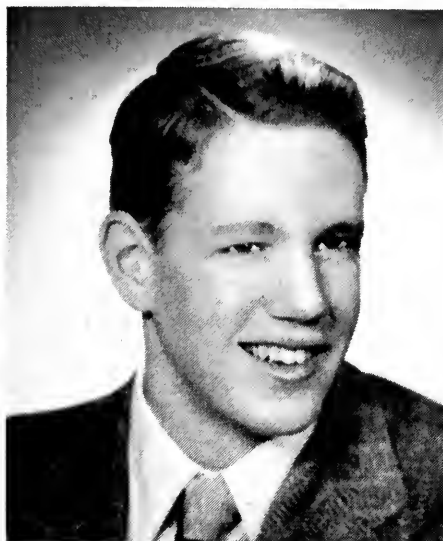
The establishment of an alumni chapter in Boston, the fifth largest industrial area in the world, and also the world's greatest educational center, can bring together the 400 Sig Eps living in the metropolitan district.

The charter members of the Boston Alumni Chapter are:

Edward Jones, W.P.I., '14; Howard Hoople, Syracuse, '20; James Finegan, Michigan, '45; John Templer, Michigan, '42; Jerald Toogood, Nebraska, '50; David Carlton, Jr., North Carolina State, '46; Ellsworth Trowsdale, Dartmouth, '46; Trueman Sanderson, W.P.I., '31; Winthrop Durfee, North Carolina, '36; David Wright, W.P.I., '46; Chester FitzGerald, Norwich, '49; Dana Switzer, Norwich, '49; Kenneth Wright, Norwich, '49; Douglas Johnson, Maine, '48; Walter Theisson, N.Y.U., '37; William Lindsay, Jr., R.P.I., '48; Gordon Westby, Middlebury, '37; Irving Winslow, Norwich, '20; Thomas Frary, W.P.I., '36; Lionel Mulholland, Delaware, '16; Donald Gilmore, Dartmouth, '48; Clark Kendall, Massachusetts, '49; Winfred Wilkinson, W.P.I., '18; Jack Braunig, Syracuse, '46.

The address of the alumni chapter is 518 Beacon Street, Boston 15. All Sig Eps in the area are invited to attend the chapter's monthly luncheon at Patten's Restaurant, 41 Court Street, 12:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., on the fourth Tuesday of each month (ask the hostess for our table).

★ 35,000TH SIG EP ★



WILLIAM LEE SHAFFER

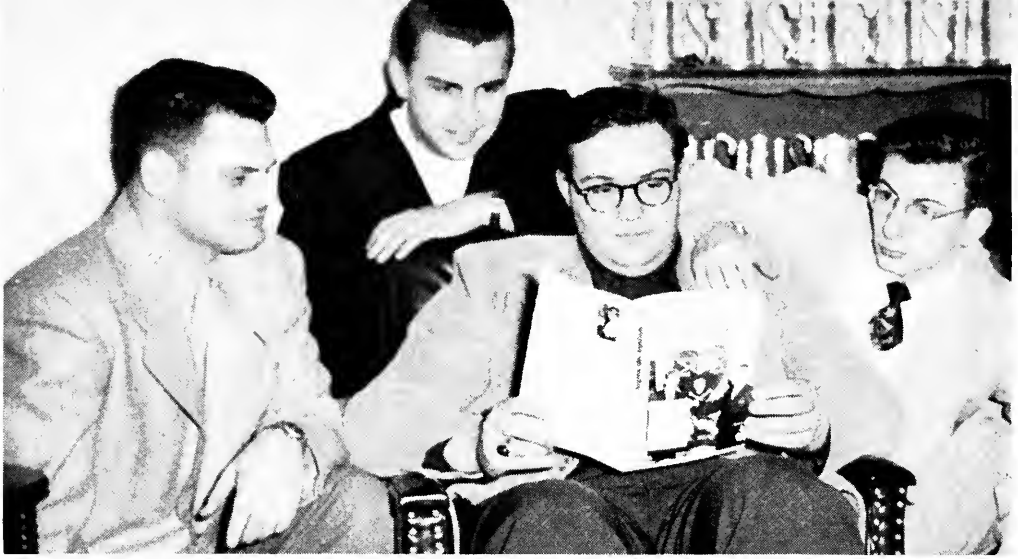
Purdue University

WILLIAM LEE SHAFFER, Indiana Alpha, a student in the pharmacy school, was initiated as the 35,000th Sig Ep on April 23, 1950. Lee, as he is called by his brothers, is the son of John H. Shaffer, Indiana Alpha, '29, a graduate in electrical engineering. Lee graduated from Muncie High School, Muncie, Ind., in 1948. He was a member of the high school golf and swimming teams and participated in the state golf tournament as well. Besides the varsity teams, Lee was active in almost every intramural sport.

On graduating from high school Lee, who was once boys' chess champion of Muncie, entered Ball State Teachers College where he was on the freshman golf and swimming teams. On the completion of his freshman year Lee transferred to Purdue with the class of '52. At Purdue he continued to be active extracurricularly as he participated in intramural golf, worked on Purdue's yearbook, the *Debris*, and is now a swimming manager. One of his hobbies is astronomy and he makes his own telescopes.

He is the 660th man to be initiated by the Purdue chapter.

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JOURNAL readers at Carroll College. From left: Bisbews, Walters, Fesenfeld, and Wilkinson.

# The Journal And Its Readers

By ED JOHNSON

By means of a questionnaire survey, advice is sought from our members to help make our magazine do its job better and keep it interesting.

**M**AGAZINE editors can do the best job when they are guided in their work by the opinions of the readers. The editor can't give you what you want unless you let him know of your particular interests.

Our editor felt in 1947 that a questionnaire would assist in determining the policies of the JOURNAL. (See February, 1948, issue.) Since then, changing times have brought changing ideas. The editor again felt, in 1949, that another questionnaire would be of service.

This spring, Brother Robson mailed questionnaires to Sig Eps throughout the country—alumni brothers, chapter presidents, and district governors—and one and all were requested to help in affirming present policies or suggesting new ones.

The great majority of those answering the

questionnaires felt that six issues of the JOURNAL were not too extravagant. News, like an egg, is best while it is still fresh.

It was agreed by the majority that the undergraduate section is the most important section in the JOURNAL. Once a brother, always a brother. Chapter accomplishments are interesting even to those who have not returned to their chapter houses in years.

Most men felt that the JOURNAL was a well-rounded unit. There were very few suggestions made as to material that should be deleted. Nothing can be perfect. Give us suggestions. We'll continue to use them to polish your JOURNAL, making it the gem of fraternity publications.

The JOURNAL has been slanted, in recent years, toward the undergraduate. An overwhelming majority of the men answering the questionnaire agreed with this policy.

At the Chicago Conclave, the JOURNAL Committee recommended that one issue a year be prepared as an alumni issue. Opinion was divided as to the advisability of this policy, but a small majority of those replying were in favor of exploring the possibility of the alumni issue. This indicates that the undergraduate members are interested in alumni—a point which is often overlooked by our graduates.

It is becoming apparent that the present system of financing the JOURNAL is inadequate. The membership of Sigma Phi Epsilon is growing year by year. New chapters are being established. Many chapters are increasing their membership. The present

ED JOHNSON, Colorado, '50, was a member of the Committee on the JOURNAL at the Chicago Conclave in 1949 which authorized the readership survey recently completed and now ably summarized by him in these pages.

Since the undergraduate viewpoint is paramount, it seemed best that an undergraduate impartially interested in the JOURNAL study the returned questionnaires and write a report on them exactly as he pleased. We think Ed has done a fine job.

While at one time an even balance between alumni news and active chapter news was attempted, the 1947 survey recommended overwhelmingly that our magazine be edited from the perspective of the actives. The present survey supports the same conclusion.—Ed.



Ed Johnson

system of financing through the Endowment Fund was established when chapters were smaller and fewer in number and when magazine publication costs were roughly 50 per cent of today's costs.

The most popular of the suggested plans to place the subscription system on a successful basis is to increase the initiation fee and continue to send the JOURNAL for life. This seems wise in the light of the fact that we consider our brotherhood a lifetime association.

It is felt that the JOURNAL should remain as it is in quality, quantity, number of issues, and size.

Many of those replying did not sign the questionnaire. Many did. Some added bits of information about their jobs, families, and their home towns. It seems a shame that brothers have to be solicited to furnish information. We all enjoy talking about those we like, and most of us rate number one on our personal popularity polls. Send in news about yourself and any brothers near you. We all will be interested in some of these items.

Much thought and time were spent on answering the questionnaires. The answers will be of great value in steering the policies of the JOURNAL.

An attempt is here made to present some of the more outstanding thoughts brought out in the questionnaire. Some are Pro and some are Con, but all should be of interest.

Frequency

Fifty-three thought six issues a year not too many. Five thought this number excessive. Nine thought five issues would do just as well, and seven thought four issues yearly would be sufficient. One man thought twelve issues a year would be desirable. However, twelve issues would necessitate a full-time editor, thus increasing the already mounting costs. It would also be difficult to find enough material to make the issues of interest to all.

MOST INTERESTING DEPARTMENT

Undergraduate News .....	44
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Good of the Order .....	2
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Others .....	3

Undergraduate News leads by a great majority. This affirms the belief that the magazine should be slanted toward the active chapters.

Suggested Additions

Many good ideas were received suggesting material not now included in our magazine. One man suggested that the state in which the chapter is located and the Greek-letter designation in the state be included in the chapter reports. District Governor Reports,

success hints, Mr. Heller's analyses of Sig Ep rivals, and more feature articles on chapters were also suggested. One far-seeing active requested that a placement bureau column be set up. Emphasis should be placed on scholarship. More controversial subjects should be discussed. Most of these suggestions indicate that we are a progressive fraternity wanting to get ahead. These suggestions should be of great help.

### Suggested Deletions

One correspondent wrote, "Leave at present level. If anything, add MORE!" No publication can be perfect. With the readers' help, the editor can at least minimize the less interesting sections. The Vital Data section could be dispensed with, thought some readers. But even this was true with only eight of those replying.

#### SLANT TOWARD UNDERGRADUATES

Agree .....	61
Disagree .....	5
Half and half .....	6

Here's proof of our youthful readers. All of us want to remain young and remember our undergraduate days. The slant toward youth can be quite refreshing. One alumnus wrote, "More should be devoted to the alumni because we believe we enjoy the JOURNAL more than the undergrads since we have only six contacts a year." The historian at Oklahoma Alpha states, "I agree! It seems that many alums fall by the wayside—the actives read the JOURNAL from cover to cover here."

#### ALUMNI ISSUE

Yes .....	31
Yes, if summer issue .....	11
No .....	24
Half and half .....	5

The majority do favor an alumni issue. The greatest part of our life is spent as an alumnus. It is only natural that we should want alumni news. Also this issue could be of value, since youth is interested in famous personalities. However, several astute readers asked: "If an alumni issue comes out once a year how can it be interesting with material a year old?"

Many interesting comments were received. A few were: "Alumni news should be fresh—not a year old" . . . "The Alumni are the backbone of the Active Chapter" . . . "A fraternity chapter is only as strong as the alumni behind it" . . . "Let's have National Alumni Week." "Probably a good many alumni don't look over the JOURNAL thoroughly now that it is slanted to the active member. An alumni issue would stimulate relationships between alumni and active organizations" . . . "Alumni should be treated as part of the group at all times" . . . "We like to know outstanding Sig Ep alumni" . . . "Alumni issue a rushing help." District Governor Paul Slater states that actives should be made more aware of life-time membership.

#### FINANCING ISSUES

Annual Rate .....	6
5 to 10 years free, then Annual Rate 12	
Higher initiation fee .....	42
Life subscription separate from Initiation fee .....	4

It was decided at the Chicago Conclave that a competent actuarial study of the Fraternity's Subscription Plan be made. The results will be reported at the next meeting of the Executive Committee of the Grand Chapter. The editor here wishes suggestions as to methods of financing any proposed changes in the present plan. A higher initiation fee seems to be the most popular plan. There are disadvantages as well as advantages to this plan. A higher initiation may work hardships on some men. However, it might be easier to get a payment from a new initiate rather than an old alum. Too, we pride ourselves on our life-time plan which we should continue if possible. Robert L. Ryan, Past Grand President, favors an annual subscription as a supplement to a ten-year plan. He feels that alums are lost because they aren't asked to do something. If the magazine is worthy, we can ask and get alumni subscriptions.

One comment that summed up the feelings was, "By what ever means, get the JOURNAL, every issue, to every Sig Ep alumnus and active. It is our one important public relations medium for maintaining and building the fraternity."

# San Francisco Success Story

By TED J. BUSH

George Bukowsky, boss of Roebling's on West Coast, a pillar of Oregon alumni, outlines success formula for Sig Eps, from neophyte to old grad.

THERE is a brand-new sign on the door of John A. Roebling's & Sons of California's offices in San Francisco. It says, "George Bukowsky, General Manager."

"Buck" is a charter member of Oregon Beta, a graduate of the University of Oregon, and a charter member of the Portland Alumni Chapter. Before being transferred to the "Bay City" he served a year as president of the alumni board for Oregon Beta.

"Fraternities," says Buck, "should all have some goal, and it must be a national goal for which all members strive. I think it should be success for all Sig Eps."

Long an advocate of a fraternity employment service he feels that this is one way in which we can reach such a national goal. As a young fraternity many of our alumni are just now reaching such positions where they can counsel, authoritatively, graduates of our chapters. By carefully counseling these graduates George Bukowsky feels that the alumni can assist in building better men and contributing to the success of their brothers.

He practices what he preaches about putting Sig Eps in key positions. Shortly after he was elected chairman of the school board in Milwaukie, Ore., he was charged with the task of selecting a new superintendent of schools. You guessed it—he hired a brother Sig Ep, Dale J. Ickes, '27, but only after satisfying himself that he was the best man for the job.

Buck decided once that he didn't want



Loyal alumnus George Bukowsky, Oregon.

any more schooling. This was during World War I when he quit high school, lied about his age, and joined the army. He went to school anyway and emerged as a second lieutenant after two years of army service.

He returned to Portland, went to work, and entered the night high school conducted by the Oregon Institute of Technology, now Multnomah College. After finishing high school he entered the University of Oregon and was initiated as a member of Kappa Delta Phi, the local which later became Oregon Beta.

Buck interrupted his honeymoon to return to Eugene on May 20, 1926, to be initiated as a charter member of Oregon Beta. Then a young salesman for Roebling's he was initiated in the chapter house then located on 12th and Hilyard streets, which he was instrumental in purchasing.

If you ask Buck what is wrong with fraternities, now that he has been a fraternity man for over 25 years, you'll probably get an answer similar to this, "There is nothing really wrong with fraternities. The real trouble lies in the fact that they have allowed people to get the wrong impression of their operation."





Oklahoma Aggie banquet celebrating 30th anniversary of founding. Nearly 100 alumni attended.

# Oklahoma A & M Is 30 Years Old

By G. RICHARD BROWN

**A hundred hail fellows well met—  
and their good wives as well—are  
met at Oklahoma Alpha's birthday  
party by hailstones and high water.**

**A**PRIL 3, 1920, was the date the local chapter received its charter from Sigma Phi Epsilon. Sunday, April 2, 1950, we staged a banquet in honor of our thirtieth anniversary on the Oklahoma Aggie campus. Prof. R. B. Thompson, Stillwater, was the principal speaker. Thompson has served as alumni secretary and as chapter adviser of Oklahoma Alpha. He is now on the staff of the School of Agriculture, Oklahoma A. and M. College. Some one-hundred alumni and their families were in attendance.

Among those present was the first man ever to be pledged by the chapter—George H. C. Green of Oklahoma City. Six hundred initiates have followed him.

Visiting alumni were delighted with the new four-million-dollar Student Union scheduled to open in July. Constructed in the Williamsburg type of architecture, it has five stories, a cafeteria, post office, and bowling alleys.

Shortly before the alumni meeting was over, rain and hail began to fall. Hail fell for thirty minutes with some stones measuring over three inches in diameter. The resulting damage was terrific with \$815,000 damage to roofs and windows of college buildings and over \$2,000,000 damage to cars, buildings, and shrubbery in the campus area of Stillwater. Estimates in damage done to cars owned by Sig Eps ranged from \$80 to \$425. Our house roof weathered the storm, but we lost our porch lamps and several windows.

It was a rousing send-off to our alumni who after the storm, returned to their homes throughout the state peering through shattered windshields, broken headlights, and with their cars looking as though they had chicken pox.

The Mothers' Club was represented, although the club had held a principal meeting in March with 52 mothers in attendance. Our Mothers' Club is an active organization headed by Mrs. C. J. Jernigan, Tulsa, with Mrs. Martin Lawrence, Oklahoma City, serving as vice-president and Mrs. J. R. Seay, Tulsa, as secretary-treasurer.





# Carolina Ball

By **STERLYN HENNIS, JR.**

**F**un and friendship over-ran the hearts of N. C. State, Carolina, Duke, and Wake Forest Sig Eps and their dates at the third annual Sig Ep Ball. It took place at Raleigh the weekend of April 14 and 15 and was well-supported by the alumni.

The most anticipated event arrived with the Saturday night Ball itself at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium when Field Secretary Gus Schmidt crowned Carol Parker of Winston-Salem as the Tar Heel State's Sig Ep Queen for 1950.

At the banquet preceding, held in the the State College Cafeteria, J. S. Massenburg, a founder of the Delta chapter, spoke. Jim Chestnut was toastmaster. An informal dance was held at the Carolina Club Friday.

The sponsors and their escorts, representing four Carolina chapters. Queen Carol Parker, escorted by Robert Prongay, second from left.



Field Secretary Gus Schmidt, above, crowning Carol Parker of Winston-Salem as Sig Ep Queen of 1950.

At left: Chaperons. Front, left to right: Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Landon, Mrs. Beam, Mrs. Perry. Back: Gus Schmidt, Bedford Black, Wray Ward, Dr. C. E. Landon, District Gov. R. D. Beam, Dr. Percival Perry.



Alumni thoroughly enjoyed themselves at Georgia Alpha's well-planned Golden Heart Ball.

## Georgia Tech Alumni at Golden Heart Ball

GEORGIA ALPHA's Golden Heart Ball, held April 14, the first formal dance given by the chapter since the war, was enjoyed by alumni and actives both. Nor would it have been possible without the aid of the alumni. Elwyn Tomlinson permitted the chapter to use his postage metering machine to spare us postage expense, while Tom Rybert printed our invitations.

—HOWARD C. BENNETT



President E. Layton McInnis pins Louise Booke.



These guests had fun. From left: Mrs. David McDowell (wife of a Sig Ep and mother of a Sig Ep), Mr. and Mrs. John O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Gessner, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Coart, and Mr. and Mrs. Christian D. LeBey.



Sig Ep float at the Michigras. Historian captioned this: "Get a load of doll at right!"



A group of Tri Deltas work on the float.



Chairman Houghton and Tri Delt Peaches Kull.

## Best Float at the Michigras

ON THE WEEKEND of April 21, the University of Michigan campus was the scene of the biennial Michigras. In this charity carnival, patterned after the famed Mardigras, the whole university body, Greek and non-Greek, combined to provide the campus with a lively weekend. Outstanding in that it allows participation by more groups than any other campus activity, Michigras is eagerly awaited by the majority of the students and townspeople of Ann Arbor. Evidence of its success lies in the attendance figures: 21,000 people admitted in the two nights of the show.

Sig Ep was much in the limelight. In the huge parade held on Friday afternoon, participated in by some 50 groups, the Sig Ep float, built with the help of the Tri Delt sorority, took first-place. The theme of the parade was "Comic Capers," and that of the Sig Ep float

was "Tarzan and his Sig Apes." The Tri Deltas were on the float in bathing suits, some tied to palm trees, one in a big pot, and another dancing as a cannibal. Larry Gray, made up as a native drummer, put the dance to a throbbing rhythm. The "Apes," led by Marv Maier as Tarzan, tried to rescue the fair maidens from the cannibals.

For the booth at the carnival, Sig Ep used a variation of its parade theme by having a pie-throwing booth at which the crowds were invited to "Make a Sig Ape Pie-eyed." Some of the more courageous Mich Alphans volunteered to pose with their heads stuck through holes in a canvas painted with figures of apes. The booth was so successful that the supply of 750 pies, calculated to last two nights, was sold out early the first.

—RON MODLIN



## Picture Highlights of Campus Life

April 12 (see cut at top) marked an historic day on the Memphis State Sig Ep calendar. Some 60 paddles went up in smoke in front of the Administration Building. At a previous meeting the boys had reached a unanimous decision to burn the paddles. The only relic is a small "mascot" paddle preserved as a memento of an outmoded habit.



Purdue Sig Eps, above, enjoy bridge in the card room. Left to right: President Rex Sebastian, Lee Case, Vice-president Bill Glacken, and Tom Kenyon.



At left: an Ohio Epsilon vet tells how he won the war—"There I was at 40,000 feet, flat on my back . . ."



Roger Sylvester, Utah Alpha, at his studies.



Chorebanian and Fitzgerald at Dartmouth



Cal Alphaus, model sport shirts. From left: Ron Davey, Bill Thacker, Bill Timmerman, Gene Prioli, and Don Mork pose with pride.



Above: A group of Lawrentians stop work on float long enough for a picture. At left: Baldwin-Wallace's William Weitzel works out with varsity track star Cynthia Wood.





Couples at Michigan Sig Ep house enjoyed the chapter's recent "Waterfront" party.



Temple chapter officers pose with their dates at house party following Greek ball.



Ohio Alpha's Herb Cox, accompanied by Don Alspach, renders "Cigareets and Whusky."



Unidentified West Virginia Beta men pose with "Queen" Lois Burson, Alpha Xi Delta.

## Some Events of the Social Calendar

Penn State men and their dates photographed at their French Apache dance. Schoening photo.





At the left is Betty Lon Walker, chosen by Illinois Tech Sig Eps as their candidate in IFC queen contest. Middle: Wyoming Alpha queen Ellen Sheldon, Pi Phi. Right: Patty Carle, ADPi, Minnesota Alpha's queen.

## Queens for a Night at Other Heart Dances

THE sweethearts on this page delighted the eyes of brothers at Illinois Tech, Wyoming, Minnesota, Syracuse, Maryland, D.C. Alpha, and Lawrence College. At the right, President Bob Wilkinson of New York Alpha presents Timmy Owen, Kappa Delta, with a loving cup as he presents her as sweetheart at queen of hearts ball. The crown she wears was made by George Marsden, chapter secretary.



Maryland president Fred Schramm is flanked by Queen Ruth Bachschmid, on the right, and Mary Elizabeth Crisler, D. C. Alpha's queen.



At Lawrence, Sweetheart Margaret Scott poses with her trophy. At her left is Buck Brown; at right, social chairman Fred Hill.





# Chapter Leaders And Some Others

At left: Chapter president Stan Case who was voted "Mr. Trojanality" at USC, being given trophy by Harriet Briggs, a campaign official.

Missouri chapter adviser Durfee Combs.



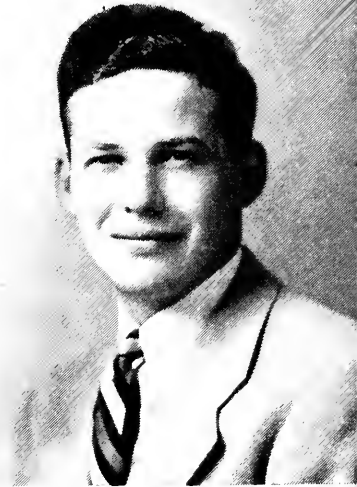
Below: New officers at Marshall—from left: Secretary John Cornell, Historian Jerry Turner, Comptroller Hubert Neely, Vice-President Frank Guidice, President Dick Newman, and outgoing president Ray Colon. These new officers were installed at March 21 meeting.







Above: New officers at Okla. A & M. Left to right, standing Vice-president Paul Seeley, President Earl Casner, IFC representative Dale Warlick, Secretary Walter Beatty. Seated: Comptroller Bob Harrison and Historian Richard Brown.



Below: Arkansas Alpha's new president Charles W. Pearson.



Jim Barratt (left, above), Oregon State, '50, has been appointed assistant alumni manager of his alma mater, a newly created post. Campus correspondent for the *Portland Oregonian* for a number of years, he has held other journalistic posts. His career closely parallels that of Bob Knoll (above, right), Oregon State, '48, who was appointed alumni manager upon his graduation. Knoll was editor of the *Oregon State Daily Barometer* during his junior year, while Barratt held the reins this year. Barratt's job will be to edit and manage the OSC alumni magazine, the *Oregon Stater*, and to assist Knoll in trips throughout the state and in office organization. Barratt is 25, married, and has a ten-month-old daughter. During his two years in the Navy, he organized and managed an athletic program for 1300 Navy men in the Orient. He was an all-around athlete at Heppner High School and played junior varsity football in 1946. He has been a star of the chapter's intramural basketball team. Both Knoll and Barratt are past presidents of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity.



Oklahoma Alpha men "glad-handing" the alumni and their families on arrival at Sig Ep house. In the picture are Mr. and Mrs. Ed Morrison and son Mike. Morrison, former president of Panhandle A. and M. College, is director of housing at Oklahoma A. and M., his alma mater.

## "Yes—We Need Our Alumni"

By THE ACTIVES

**Life on Fraternity Row makes more sense when our old grads take an interest in what we're doing. And it is the job of the actives to keep them informed.**

**T**HE most outstanding liaison agent between the alumni and actives at Syracuse for the last 25 years has been the alumni association. The primary job of the organization has been to guide the "material interests" of the fraternity through budget-making and decisions of finance. It does not participate in the administration of active chapter affairs, but frequently its advice is sought.

The board is headed by Floyd Corson, '23, who has stood by his guns in the face of criticism and bond interest payments. According to Corson, "The Sigma Phi Epsilon plan has progressed, each and every year, paid off its debts. In only a few more years the financial situation will run on a current basis. It is a pay as you go policy. And when everything is paid off it should continue to operate that way."

In addition to Corson the board has four other members. John G. Humpleby of Dewitt, N.Y., was graduated from Syracuse in '26 and from Syracuse law school in '28. Since then he has conducted his own law practice in Syracuse. While in college he was president of IFC, manager of the baseball team, member of Tau Theta Upsilon, senior men's honorary, and Phi Delta Phi, law honorary.

Stanley A. Evans is treasurer of the alumni board and now is in the dairy business at 1455 E. Colvin Street, Syracuse. He was graduated from Syracuse in January, 1937. While a Sig Ep undergrad he held the post of historian. He

attended the Denver Conclave in 1935. He was also a member of Sigma Iota Epsilon, business management honorary.

Robert Hoople, '26, received his A.M. in history in 1927. He was a member of the varsity crews of 1925 and 1926. A Phi Beta Kappa key holder, he was also a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Delta Kappa, college honoraries. In 1940 Hoople received his Master of Science degree. At present he is doing personnel work at Crouse-Hinds Manufacturing Company and resides at 816 West Mooreland Street, Syracuse.

Fifth man on the alumni board is Leon H. Coons, '15. He is principal of Syracuse Central High School. He received his M.A. in 1927. He is a member of Kappa Phi Kappa and Phi Delta Kappa, education honoraries. He lives at 172 Milnor Avenue, Syracuse.

Alumni still come back to the house of the red doors for social gatherings. Biggest alumni event of the spring semester took place Spring Weekend when the old grads once again got together at 310 Walnut Place.

At the spring initiation banquet Bob Hoople was guest speaker. Frank N. Bryant, Ohio Alpha, who recently announced his retirement as Director of Admissions at Syracuse, was awarded the plaque for the most outstanding Sig Ep alumnus of the year. He was guest speaker at last fall's initiation banquet.

—DAN McMANAMY

The active members and many of the alumni of the **Minnesota** Alpha chapter observed their founders' day with a banquet at the Nicollet Hotel in Minneapolis. Honored guests were three of our charter members, Charles A. Partridge, Dr. Ivan H. Northfield, and Floyd Adams. Dr. Northfield gave the active members words of encouragement and advice concerning their efforts to re-establish Sigma Phi Epsilon as the leader on the Minnesota campus. Especially memorable were his words to "keep driving." The remarkable spirit of friendliness and co-operation between the alumni and active members at the banquet was very gratifying.

A report from the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity Alumni, Inc. was given by its president, Earl Isensee. Other officers are Farrel Stiehni, vice-president; Robert Davis, secretary; and James Wood, treasurer.

President Isensee would like to let it be known that the alumni corporation is open to all Sig Eps in this area, and anyone who does not have his membership card should contact Robert Davis, 700 Pioneer Building, St. Paul.

We at **Oklahoma A & M** feel that the alumni can be of greater help throughout the year in our rushing program. If you are acquainted with the chapter today, it will be much easier to tell a prospective student about Sig Ep. We are issuing a call for help from our alumni, especially in the towns where there are no active Sig Eps living. We want you, our alumni, to send names of good students: scholastically, athletically inclined and boys of good character.

A monthly news bulletin is being published by Oklahoma Alpha to be sent to all alumni and all other Sig Ep chapters. Within the bulletin will be news of the campus life and of what Sigma Phi Epsilon is doing on the campus. It will be brief but concise. We are issuing a



Minnesota Alpha Founder Dr. Ivan A. Northfield is flanked by Founder Charles A. Partridge, left, and Founder Floyd Adams.

call *now* for each and every alumnus to forward his address to us on a post card so that we can hasten this information to you. Our address files are not as up-to-date as we would like for them to be, so please forward your present address to us at 324 Monroe, Stillwater, Okla.

A local organization of Stillwater alumni has taken place. With Bob Noble, '49, as acting chairman, meetings are held monthly in the chapter house for social get-togethers.

—G. RICHARD BROWN

In the past, at **Lawrence College**, we have not had as extensive an active-alumni relationship as was desirable, but in the past few years much has been done and is being done to improve the situation. Here in Appleton we have



Alumni and actives of Minnesota Alpha observe Founders' Day at Nicollet Hotel April 22.

an alumni foundation which is currently headed by Ed West, with Secretary-Treasurer Bill Zuelke, Earl Miller, Bob Watson, and Russ Spoor making up the remainder of the foundation board. There is ten dollars membership fee for new members in the organization which is paid over the four years of college life by subtracting \$2.50 per year from each active's social dues. In this way each member of Wisconsin Alpha becomes a member of Appleton Alumni Foundation upon graduation.

The board meets with the president of our chapter about once a month when they plan fraternity policies and map out a program for the chapter, and then in the fall the alumni give a banquet for all the pledges and in the spring they have one for the graduating seniors. The rest of the chapter is invited to these affairs at their own expense. Then, each semester, the chapter turns over two hundred dollars to the foundation which they keep and use to pay for furniture depreciation.

When the college administration built the fraternity quadrangle in 1941, they bought the old house from us and now the alumni are using the interest from this for a scholarship fund from which they give grants and scholarship aid to students. Now and then we have received gifts from the alumni.

Contact with our alumni who live out of town is kept alive with our chapter paper, *Snorts*, which is sent out twice a year and which incidentally, should be out in the not too far future. In this paper we try to give a complete coverage of what has been going on at Wisconsin Alpha and what our plans are for the future. In the fall we send out 200 invitations for the homecoming game which is usually Beloit or Ripon. Saturday noon before the game is a big dinner and then there is an open house immediately after the game at which time old friendships can be renewed, etc. The response to this hasn't always been as great as we'd like, but each year there is a larger crowd on hand than the year before. This is always a big weekend so we'd like to see some really big turnouts in the future. Then for all parties and dances which we hold, we send invitations to the alumni who live in this area. In closing I might add that we would appreciate hearing from any alumni of other chapters who live in the Appleton area.

—JIM KRUYNE

Since the chapter at **Miami (Ohio)** was chartered a year and a half ago, we have made great strides in building up to the point where we are one of the better regarded fraternities on the Miami campus. Our alumni were the guiding lights, which helped us to grow and prosper as we have in such a short period of time.

Without the help of our alumni, we would not be living in the fine house in which we are now located. The "Ohio Eta House Corporation

## Chapters 102 and 103

THE Fraternity's 102nd chapter was installed at the University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt., on May 27. This is the third chapter for the state, Alpha being at Norwich and Beta at Middlebury. Walter C. Bailey served as president of the colony petitioning for a charter.

Boston University, Boston, Mass., is the home of Chapter No. 103, the installation of which took place on June 18. The new chapter is listed on the Grand Chapter roster as Massachusetts Gamma, for there are two sister chapters in the state, both thriving: Alpha at the University of Massachusetts and Beta at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Both of the new chapters are in District I, of which Trueman L. Sanderson, Massachusetts Beta, is governor. More about these next time.

of Sigma Phi Epsilon," organized by and consisting of our active alumni, was solely responsible for the purchase of the house. Under the leadership of three very fine officers—President John McFall, Secretary Dr. Robert F. Almy (who also acts as our chapter adviser), and Treasurer Myron T. Potter—the House Corporation devised and carried out methods of raising money and financing the purchase of the house. This group will continue their work along this line in making additions or improvements to the house. Just recently they authorized the purchase of new carpeting for the living-room of the house.

Brother Potter was instrumental in aiding us in setting up our boarding club just two months after we moved into the house. There are approximately 36 men eating in at present.

—ROGER MANSELL

At **Missouri Mines** an alumni contact committee, controlled by Art Heyl, Jack MacDonald, and Don Matson, has been formed to bring up to date the addresses of all the alumni (there are 35). After all of the addresses have been corrected, it is planned to write a personal letter to each alumnus at least once every month, starting in May, in addition to the newsletter which is published once a semester. The material contained in these letters will be of a more personal nature than is possible in the newsletter. It is hoped that in this way, the alumni can be kept more informed and interested than would otherwise be possible.

As time goes on now, the men being pledged are much younger than a few years ago. Consequently, we have found the need of a more mature mind to guide our decisions and plans.

With due consideration, we have chosen Leonard C. Nelson, a professor in the mechanical engineering department, as our chapter adviser. We feel he is very well qualified and willing and will be of great assistance in the future.

Our alumni treasurer this year is Charlie Tucker, who has been active on the alumni board since the chapter was installed three years ago. He is a business man of Rolla and has been very helpful in our transactions with other Rolla business men. It was through Charlie's efforts that we obtained the house we now live in. Now, he has aided us in placing a bid to the school for a plot of land adjacent to the intramural football field, on highway 66. If our bid is accepted, we cannot build for ten years. However, in ten years, we can have the plot paid for and allow our housing fund to grow.

—DEWEY KIBLER

Because of close relations between our active chapter and the alumni, **Carroll College Sig Eps** have enjoyed greater success in their ventures. During the last two years actives and alumni have worked together to obtain and furnish a home. At present we are the only fraternity on campus to have a house.

We have received not only financial assistance, many long hours of work, personal guidance, and aid in the selection of furniture and equipment but have also maintained good publicity contacts with our alumni.

Twice a year we publish the *Gamma Triangle*, a 4- to 6-page paper with pictures. This paper, along with regular bulletins and personal contacts in the form of meetings and house visits, allows us effective relations with our alumni.

We have made efforts to see that alumni members are invited to social functions such as formal dances, homecoming football games, and other organized events. We entertained alumni members not long ago at a founders' day dinner and open-house. We have sought to improve our alumni address files and in general to retain and increase that spirit of brotherhood needed between both actives and alumni.

What is the **Arkansas** chapter doing for its alumni? The chapter gave an alumni dinner for the Fayetteville Alumni Association on April 23. In attendance, with their wives, were Fred Murdock, District XIV Governor; Ivan Roark, faculty adviser at the Tulsa chapter; Jim Phillips, president of the Fayetteville Alumni Association; Roy Roberts, faculty adviser; Walter Cole, faculty sponsor; Ed Watson, M. B. Slade, and John Doan. Speakers at the dinner were Murdock, Roark, Phillips, and Charles Pearson, president of the active chapter.

The men of the active chapter remember their alumni by sending them each a birthday card every year. We hope that this small act will remind them that we are interested in our alumni. Most of our grads are also on the mailing



Spokane Alumni Association officers. From left. Jim Kelly, secretary; Dick Hix, president; and Lee Sablin, vice-president.

list for the chapter newsletters and the chapter paper, the *Heart of the Ozarks*.

*What the alumni are doing for the chapter?* Ever ready and willing to help the boys in whatever the undertaking is amiable Jim Phillips, who operates the Phillips Motor Company in Fayetteville. Down in Hot Springs is M. C. "Pappy" Lewis, who should be well known to the boys in Texas. M. C. is very interested in helping with summer rush. He is a candidate for State Senator from the 14th district. Lee Plemmons, a charter member of Arkansas Alpha from Hot Springs, is a solid booster of the chapter. Possibly the most outstanding in fraternity work is our own District Governor, Fred Murdock. He works tirelessly to further the work of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

—ERVIN GLENN

At the University of **Washington**, Seattle, the annual founders' banquet on March 3 in the Student Union building was also the kickoff of the bond drive for our new house. Plans for the drive as well as recent progress of the national were the highlights of talks by Larry Waldron and Grand Guard Frank Hamack. These were followed by the showing of slides of the new buildings now under construction at Washington. Bill Metz acted as master of ceremonies. Many of the founders of this chapter as well as other alumni both of this chapter and of other chapters, living in the Seattle area, were present.

In the meantime, considerable progress has been made toward making the new house a reality with alumni President Bob Feller now employed full time by the alumni chapter for the purpose of co-ordinating the bond drive.

—HOWARD MORRILL

**Lehigh** has tried to put some psychology into its alumni program. More reasons to come back for what is planned to be the biggest and best Alumni Weekend ever held at Pennsylvania Epsilon. A new oil burner that means no more hot-water shortage, redecoration of the first floor, a new leather sofa, and furniture repairs have made the house that much more livable.



R. M. Fairfield delivering principal address at Founders' Day ceremony. Others, from left: J. Roush, C. H. Elting, President Bruce McDonald, A. P. Elliott, and William F. Nackenhorst, III.

These improvements were obtained through the leadership of comptroller Sanderson and the permission of the Alumni Board.

At the moment, foremost in the minds of all the brothers and pledges is Spring Houseparty. We have all been cleaning and decorating and pestering the mailman to find out if our invitations have been accepted.

Spring houseparty will be a grand climax to a successful social season under the direction of social chairman John Fleck. Almost 40 couples are expected for the gala weekend.

To introduce our parents to our brothers and pledges, and to show the many improvements, Parents' Day has been planned for some Saturday in May. This should be of great interest to the parents of our pledges, and it is our hope that Parents' Day will become an annual tradition, and just as successful as our other alumni events.

—FRANCIS C. ROSCH, JR.

The **Purdue** chapter's spring accomplishments for the alumni included a chapter newsletter, the revision of alumni records, and the makings of a bum room beneath the house to alleviate large football weekend crowds and provide a retreat for actives, alumni, and guests.

The second edition of the *Alpha Scribe* rolled off the presses the first of June. Many alumni wrote letters showing their approval of the chapter's new "baby." All alumni filled out a questionnaire enclosed in the June edition. The actives like to know what the alumni are doing just as much as the alumni like to know what the actives are doing.

Bob Carlton took on the job of revising the files and found many alumni lost without trace. An intensive search is now on and Bob hopes to locate as many as possible through either other alumni or alumni organizations.

The bum room is an all-house project. Early in April the actives and pledges broke through a brick wall in the cellar and with picks and shovels cleared away two three-foot wide swaths, each 50 feet long, underneath the house. Plans are now under way to complete the excavation with power equipment. Ray Schakel of

the Alumni Board said: "The actives certainly showed their stuff."

Gas heat will probably soon replace coal, and with the cleaning up of the coal bin, lavatory facilities and a card room will add to the bum room. Lee Gase led the dirt attack and found able assistance—especially from Bob Forbes who can swing a wicked pick at that Indiana clay.

Many alumni turned up at the Alma Mater in the spring. Gala Week, on May 5, 6, and 7, brought many back and several dropped in for visits on trips through Lafayette.

—DAVID BOCKMAN

At **North Carolina** a new office has been completed for all the fraternity files and records by Jake Schoonderwoerd, George Webb, and Jim Merritt. The new alumni board, which was chosen at the recent founders' day program, consists of Wray Ward, High Point, president; Jim Nance, Asheboro, vice-president; and Harold Weaver, Chapel Hill, secretary-treasurer.

—STERLYN HENNIS, JR.

The **Stetson** chapter would like to report that plans are being made for an alumni association for this area, including De Land, Sanford, and Daytona Beach. We expect such a group to be a great aid to our chapter and therefore hope to see it organized soon.

—ROY R. UNKEFER

A new alumni card system has been set up at the **Washington** University chapter, St. Louis. Questionnaire postal cards sent out with the April newsletter to alumni have been used to bring the alumni lists up to date. By using cards of three colors, distinction is made between old Missouri Beta alumni, new Missouri Beta alumni (since reactivation), and all Sig Ep alumni in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

—WILL LITTON

Building plans for a \$15,000 wing are readily turning into reality at the **Denver** chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Planning between the alumni and active chapter for several months should see the new wing completed for fall rushing.



We believe we are overdue in expressing gratitude to Dr. Gil Lininger, our chapter adviser, for the parties we have had at his mountain lodge.

—AL WEBER and DENIS BROWN

**Oregon** Sig Eps, through Historian Robert Hilton, want to thank Alumni Treasurer Delbert Hill, who has just resigned, and new Alumni Treasurer Rudy Kalina, for jobs well done.

I am sorry to report that we at **Indiana** have formed no definite policy in regard to alumni as yet, although we are formulating plans at present in an attempt to keep alumni actively interested in our chapter. The only medium that we employ at present is the publication of *Indiana Beta*, the *Heartbeat*, which we hope serves in keeping our alumni interested. Our rush chairman has recently inaugurated a new system whereby each Sig Ep residing in the state of Indiana is sent a letter requesting names of high school seniors who will be attending Indiana University the next semester. Through our alumni, therefore, we hope to attain many prospective Sig Ep pledges.—ROBERT J. MYER

We, as active members at **Wake Forest**, recognize as primary duties of our alumni treasurer the following services: appointing capable men to fill the offices of comptroller and dining-hall manager; assuring the latter of an efficient and pleasant dietitian to aid in operating the dining-hall; acting as adviser to the chapter on all financial matters concerning any amount in excess of fifteen dollars; assisting the comptroller in dealing with any problem with which he may be confronted; serving as a mediator between the Alumni Board and the chapter; and visiting the chapter as frequently as is convenient and necessary.

To serve us in this office we are fortunate indeed to have Bedford W. Black, a most able and versatile young man. Not only has he accepted and performed the primary duties of his office, but he has, on various occasions, come to the aid of individual members when they were faced with problems of a personal nature. He has displayed overwhelming interest and devotion to the chapter, and has endeavored to promote the harmonious relationship among us.

In relations with the alumni, the **Temple** chapter has been remiss in recent years. However, realizing our great loss in not knowing the alumni better, we are working on a program to draw them closer to us. We have been compiling the names of all our alumni members and filling out cards for each of them for an index. In line with this program, we are planning to send out an alumni newsletter this spring which will tell of chapter news and our plans for the future. It is felt that such a paper will draw those alumni who have an interest in the chapter even

closer and we hope that interest will be stimulated in alumni members who have drifted away from us.

However, the alumni have not been inactive as there is a faithful group who attend alumni meetings. This group is now in the process of incorporating to achieve greater efficiency.

—SHEROD M. COOPER, JR.

One of the biggest things to happen at **Kentucky** in a long time is the Alumni Reunion which came off May 13. There were tours of the Blue Grass, banquets, and business sessions as well as the good old bull sessions which we all like to have with our old buddies.

The whole chapter has been working for the past two months on a complete and up-to-date mailing list on our alumni. May 13 is May Day on the campus.

**New Mexico** alums are headed by Oren Strong, alumni treasurer, Jess Baxter, and Sam Alford. Their advice and assistance has been of inestimable value to the chapter since the end of the war, when the chapter was reactivated.

Last year Jess hired the chapter to paint his home, and the wages received went into our spring formal fund. Besides holding pre-dance parties for members and dates, Jess has arranged for the fumigation of the chapter house and has provided chemicals for our lawn.

Sam Alford has also aided the chapter both socially and financially. When the old refrigeration unit broke down, Sam supplied a new one at a sizable discount. A splash party for local Sig Eps last spring at his home will be



Prof. Ben Spencer, above, has resigned as Ohio Epsilon's faculty adviser. His successor is Dr. Ronald Greene, Ohio Epsilon.



repeated this year. For our part, the chapter is painting the swimming pool at the Alford home.

All three keep their fingers on the New Mexico Alpha pulse by frequent visits to the chapter house, whether to help out with matters of policy or merely to chat with the fellows.

—JOHN ERMATINGER

The **Ohio State** chapter is pleased with its new alumni adviser, Jack Nida, '26, and we hope his close association with us will be a long and enduring one. He hails from Columbus where he is a member of the alumni association and is a past president of Ohio Gamma.

Note to all alumni: Come up and see us. Wednesday evening has been designated Alumni Night, but you are *always* welcome—any time.

—BOB STRIEBEL

The **Iowa Delta Alumni Association (Drake)**, composed primarily of Sig Ep alumni from this and other schools in Iowa, hold regular monthly meetings at the chapter house. A joint alumni-active committee is currently making plans to move the dining room, which is situated on the first floor of the house, into the basement. The committee hopes the remodeling of the basement into a dining-room can be accomplished by the fall term, 1950.

We at **Dartmouth** are most appreciative of the support given us by the alumni during our past drive for funds. Through such aid we have been able to continue in our house-improvement program. Our plan of active-alumni relationship revolves around the *Indian*, a newspaper put out by the house concerning our various activities. In our last issue Schuyler Tompson, newly elected president of the house, served as editor.

—DAVID HALL

**Colorado A. & M.** A. M. Binkley has succeeded Col. E. L. Nye, '14, as president of the Fort Collins Alumni Board. Col. Nye has been president of the board since its inception three years ago. Herb Heilig was re-elected vice-president and Glenn Gausman was re-elected secretary-treasurer. The Alumni Board has helped the active chapter greatly, especially in our long-range improvement plan for the chapter house. They have guided us in time of need and have helped the active chapter work for the furtherance of the ideals of this fraternity.

—R. D. STOLL

One April 3 at **Pennsylvania** plans were made for organizing a general alumni association of the Philadelphia area at a dinner held at the Sansom House. Many prominent alumni were present and were interested in forming a placement service for alumni of the district. This is a very worthwhile project and should prove very helpful to unemployed Sig

Eps of the area. A subsequent meeting of the group will be held here on April 1. Our own alumni have been in close contact with us and will hold a meeting here on April 27. Plans to complete payment of our mortgage will be discussed.

—FREDERIC C. FERGUSON

**Delaware** actives maintain contact with the alumni through a chapter newspaper, the *Delalphaphan*, edited by Jack Fossett. The paper is published monthly giving details of house improvement, scholarship, sports, and social activity. Through the *Delalphaphan*, we are able to find out the addresses of the alumni with whom we have lost contact, so we may reach them through the newspaper. Each year there is an Alumni Reunion in which the active chapter participates. In this way the actives are able to sit down with the alumni and get to know them. Delaware Alpha's Alumni Association is making plans to petition for an alumni chapter, which will no doubt help relations to become closer. Our board of directors meet once a month at the house to give us advice on upkeep of the house and on expenditures. They see to it that we run an efficient financial organization. The alumni members of the board are H. Leland Brown, president; Harry Wilson, vice-president; John E. Healey, II, secretary-treasurer; Frank H. Buck, Roger W. Fulling, and Walter J. Coppock; the active chapter members are Dick DiSabatino, Judd Stewart, and Pete Anderson, house manager. Honorary alumni members are Dr. W. O. Sypherd, Dr. Charles C. Palmer, and Robert C. Lewis.

—ROGER D. BROWNING

A project, inaugurated at **Iowa State**, which will be of interest to all Sig Eps living in Iowa was undertaken by the chapters in District XX. It is planned to publish an alumni directory and business guide. Bob Merriam of Iowa Beta has undertaken the job of co-ordinating the efforts of the four chapters. The publication date is tentatively set for spring of 1951.



Pitt alumni chapter officers, from left: Smith Gealy, Art MacFadden, Alfred F. Walter, Jr. (standing), and Allan Johnston, Penn Theta.

## Achievement of an Alumni Treasurer

Shelby D. Himes, Illinois Alpha, '21, has continued to help his chapter and himself through the years by brilliant hard work.

THE alumni treasurers of fraternity chapters usually do a miraculous share of work to provide the key to successful financial operation of their chapters through the years, and through the years they remain unsung heroes. Most of their work is a labor of devotion.

At the University of Illinois, the largest fraternity school in the nation, Sigma Phi Epsilon has had Shelby D. Himes. Brother Himes has given Illinois Alpha chapter the guidance it needed for a generation.

This year Shelby Himes as head of the large Champaign sporting goods establishment of Bailey and Himes is celebrating his 30th anniversary in business.

Ever since his graduation in 1921, Shelby Himes has worked for success in business, but he has never been too busy to work for the success of his chapter.

President of the National Sporting Goods Association, he continues to direct the operations of his establishment combining retail-wholesale-manufacturing at 606 East Green Street, adjoining the University of Illinois campus.

From a book and stationery store in which Himes was a part-time student clerk before World War I, the establishment has grown into a manufacturing concern for gym clothing and basketball uniforms, a processing firm for furnishing T-shirts and athletic uniforms, a jobbing house, and a retail store selling all types of athletic goods.

Himes, a U. of I. student from Galva, Ill., worked part-time at Lloyd's University Book Store before World War I, and after serving in the war, returned as a student.

He and Charles W. Bailey bought out the store and opened the Student Supply Store on September 1, 1919, promising, "service, saving, and satisfaction."

In the spring of 1920, they put in their first sporting goods to take care of the needs of the university's intramural program.

During the post-war boom in sports, they



Illinois alumni stalwart. Shelby Himes, '21.

began handling sports textbooks, which were scarce in those days, becoming leaders in the field with such items as a Bob Zuppke book on football and a Paul Prehn book on wrestling.

At that time the U. of I. Athletic Association operated a gym store in the old gymnasium which was "pretty tough competition," Himes recalls. They approached George Huff about buying it out; he agreed, and by the spring of 1923 the major emphasis at the Student Supply Store had been shifted to sporting goods.

A disastrous night fire in February, 1926, burned the building to the ground, but while it was still burning, Himes and Bailey made arrangements to rent space in a building around the corner and telephoned for rush orders of equipment, opening up for business the next morning with ruins of the original building still smoldering.

They rebuilt, changed the name to Bailey & Himes and reopened at the old location as an exclusively sporting goods establishment.

In 1928, they added one sewing machine to sew on athletic letters and hired two young women to do the work.

The partnership was dissolved in 1932, and Himes was elected president of the reorganization which followed.

Addition of other machines, including chenille machines for making honor letters, brought an expansion, and in 1942, the firm rented factory space.

With 40 machines now, the firm has an aver-



U. S. Senate hopeful Willis Smith, Duke.

age payroll of 80 persons, including salesmen on the road, factory workers, and those in the retail store.

During the past several years it has added silkscreen processing to its production, a feature of the business which Himes believes will expand tremendously.

Himes has been active in the National Sporting Goods Association since its organization about 18 years ago, being a director of the association for the past 15 years. At the present he is serving his second term as president of the



Chaplain of S. C. Senate Rev. George Meetze.

group. The job is one that keeps him traveling to meetings across the country.

Besides his never-failing interest in Illinois Alpha, he has been active in many community affairs in Champaign-Urbana. He has been president of the Champaign-Urbana Kiwanis Club and president of the Campus Business Men's Association. He is a director of the Champaign County Bank and Trust Company and for 17 years has served as director of the University Savings and Loan Association. For a number of years he has been chairman of the board of trustees of the First Methodist Church.

### **Philadelphia Lawyer**

Arthur Littleton, Pennsylvania Delta, '16, one of Philadelphia's most prominent citizens, has kept his interest in his chapter and is a director of its alumni foundation. He boasts the unusual distinction of having been president of Penn Delta twice, once during his junior year, in 1915, in the liberal arts college, and again in 1917, after he had become a student in the law school.

He is chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association, member of the State Board of Law Examiners, and holds at least 11 directorships among these being in the Philadelphia National Bank, Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company, Fidelity Building Corporation, and others. His trusteeships include that of the University of Pennsylvania, Presbyterian Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, and others. He is also chairman of the board of the First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia.

### **Upward to Brigadier**

Brig. Gen. Robert H. Pepper, Delaware Alpha, '17, is scheduled to become a brigadier general, according to a U. S. Marine Corps release in January. His promotion has been approved by President Truman.

### **In Senate Race**

Willis Smith, North Carolina Gamma, '10, Raleigh, N.C., attorney and a past president of the American Bar Association, has entered the race for the United States Senate seat now held by Senator Frank P. Graham. He is a member of the alumni board of the Wake Forest chapter.

### **Gunn to Palo Alto**

Henry M. Gunn, Jr., Oregon Alpha, has resigned as president of the Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, Ore., to become superintendent of schools at Palo Alto, Calif. Although a native of Kentucky, he was educated in Oregon schools, and received his doctorate from

Stanford. He has been an associate professor of education at the University of Southern California and director of elementary teacher training for the state of Oregon.

### **Senate Chaplain**

Rev. George E. Meetze, South Carolina Alpha, '30, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, Columbia, S.C., was elected chaplain of the Senate of the State of South Carolina last January. He is a graduate of the Biblical Seminary, New York, and of the Lutheran Southern Seminary, Columbia, S.C.

### **To Loftier Benches**

John C. Pickett, Nebraska Alpha, '21, has been appointed judge of the Court of Appeals in the federal district at Cheyenne, Wyo. Judge Pickett's fellow Nebraska Alphans will remember him as an outstanding baseball player who was sought by the Chicago White Sox after his graduation.

Marcus G. Christ, Pennsylvania Delta, '21, until recently attorney for the County of Nassau, Long Island, New York (of which county J. Russell Sprague, New York Beta, is chief executive), has been named County Judge. He has been Nassau County's chief legal adviser since 1941 and deputy since 1938. To assume his new post he severed a long partnership in the Hempstead law firm of Patterson and Christ, which he joined in 1927.

One of Judge Christ's most popular accomplishments was his legal generalship in the famous "water supply case" whereby Nassau and Suffolk Counties and their municipalities restrained the city of New York from sinking additional wells on Long Island to drain off millions of gallons of more water.

### **Presidents & Vice-presidents**

Milo K. McIver, Washington Alpha, '22, mortgage broker of Portland, Ore., president of the Commerce Investment Company in that city, has been appointed to the Oregon State Highway Commission.

R. D. Beam, North Carolina Beta, '26, district governor of the Carolina chapters, has resigned as director of foundations at his alma mater to become vice-president of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Raleigh, N.C.

John Hill, Minnesota Alpha, onetime president of his chapter, has been named a vice-president of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is a former editor of its house organ, the *Pilot's Log*.



U. S. Circuit Judge John C. Pickett.

### **Hal, the Arabs' Pal**

Hal Boyle, Missouri Alpha, roaming reporter for the Associated Press, when his employers suggested that he explain to his readers who he was, wrote in part as follows:

"I am a medium-sized, middle-aged balding man with an ineffectual smile of good will. I haven't the hypocrisy to believe that anybody ought to buy a cheap crystal ball and be a pundit on what lies ahead. Nor do I feel that I have emphasized enough what I see in my own



Judge Marcus Christ, Nassau County, N.Y.



Leading Virginian. John Meade of Petersburg.

crystal ball—that if courage and loyalty don't lie ahead, then neither does America.

"I was born February 21, 1911, of an immigrant mother who has been the biggest influence in my off-key career. She was an Irish girl who took the Statue of Liberty seriously. She had only a third-grade education. She had five children and educated herself by reading the *Kansas City Star*, but she thought I should know more than they print in a family newspaper. So she backed me through the University of Missouri.



Comptroller. Donald J. Kline, Michigan '30.

"It was a good university, but I entered it with the feeling that I knew more about life than they could teach me there.

"Sixteen years later I still have the same opinion. I learned more from my father and mother than I did from a university. I learned from the university solely the discipline of scholarship. This was worth while only so far as it taught me a technique of how to open books and gather what they held.

"What my parents taught I think was more valuable—how to open the human heart of a friend and keep the humility to understand it.

"The hardest period of my life was the adolescent time which people joke of as puppy love. I survived this misunderstood wilderness of the human soul, and am happily married—unhappily without children, whom I love.

"I have been lucky enough to come through a major world war unscathed—but I think that is completely unimportant. Some things you can't trade on all the way, even in this world.

"The one thing I can't forgive is the failure of people born to this country to appreciate the freedom and opportunity it offers, and which my mother came here to find—and found motherhood instead, a strange and limited freedom in every land.

"As for the rest, in war or peace, I still live on the consolation I was reared by—that it is better to be poor and have fun than it is to be rich and bored. I was taught that getting it was more fun than having it. And I was taught right."

### **Outstanding Virginian**

John D. Meade, Virginia Zeta, '31, Superintendent of schools at Petersburg, Va., was named Petersburg's outstanding citizen at a recent meeting of a citizens' committee. The lodge B'nai B'rith presented him with the Lubman Memorial Trophy for best "exemplifying the ideals of freedom of press, speech, religion and assembly, as well as the personification of brotherhood and democratic principles."

### **As the Seed Is Sown**

Don Kline, Michigan Alpha, a former comptroller of his chapter, is comptroller of the Household Finance Company, Chicago. Whatever fiscal responsibility he may have had at the Sig Ep house at Ann Arbor just 20 years ago, he now is charged with the task of investing yearly about \$225,000,000. He is a former officer of the alert Chicago Alumni Chapter and treasurer of the alumni board of Illinois Beta.

### **Checks Out at Waldorf**

Henry B. Williams, New York Beta, '30, until recently manager of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York, has been appointed general manager of the Ambassador Hotel at Atlantic City.

# Pan Hellenica



## SIGMA PHI EPSILON'S CHIEF RIVALS



By WILSON B. HELLER, Proprietor of College Social Analysts

### IV. DELTA KAPPA EPSILON

**B**ACK prior to 1917, "Deke" was a magic word. In the fraternity world it was then synonymous with social prestige, wealth, and power.

Time brings changes. Much of the old brand of repute has departed except in the New England and New York area.

But, don't get the idea that Deke isn't important. It's doing very nicely, thank you, but *only because it is a fraternity phenomenon*.

And why is this? Therein lies the chief interest this may hold for you. But—

First, we pause to explain to you why we select Deke as the third in our series of analyses (preceded by Sigma Chi and Phi Gam).

Your JOURNAL editor's recent reader survey (plus mail from non-Sig Ep sources) shows that you most want us to tell you of other large nationals, those that are Sig Ep rivals at most spots, such as SAE, Phi Delt, etc. (Deke meets you only 20 times.)

We do not comply this time (but hope you'll approve) for two reasons: (1) we don't want to give rapidly away information on all large nationals, prior to publication of our book, "National Fraternities and Sororities." The larger tongs have the larger potential sales list. (2) We can better tell of and illustrate the fraternity system by analyzing nationals of varying age, type, and size. Now, to Deke.

Yes, Deke is a phenomenon. Why?

Because its average chapter is yet a very important one *yet* it is actually a national consisting of only a collection of "locals." It has not yet "modernized" to the extent of its top rivals.

In this age of business administration, chapter supervision, suggestions on "how-to-succeed" to chapters—while most of the large and all of the most successful aggregations are rivalry conscious and wise to the fact that this fraternity world is *first of all a business*—in this same era Deke goes on its merry old way pretty much as it has for 106 years. Few businesslike suggestions are given its chapters on how to compete. There is relatively little national supervision of chapters. Each chapter is a "local" in such respects.

Such is the case with all the old, venerated ivy nationals.

Psi U and Alpha Delt, up until 1941, did even better than Deke under such conditions. Now Deke beats all that so operate in both percentage of strong chapters and in average chap-



WILSON B. HELLER, proprietor of College Social Analysts, Los Angeles, Calif., became interested in rating fraternities as to campus strength when he was an undergraduate at Missouri in 1912. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha, he is the first man to employ scientific methods of survey and analysis in the fraternity field on a national basis, and he is still alone in the field today. While the editor of the JOURNAL does not always endorse Mr. Heller's conclusions, he does respect his facts very highly and feels their presentation to be a unique and valuable service to readers.

ter strength. Prior to War II Psi U and Alpha Delt had *always* had a higher percentage of their chapters of top campus importance than any rival. What's happened we can't say.

At the last Deke convention it was "suggested" that Deke might well institute a unified accounting system, a schedule of alumni-control-of-chapters' operating reports, a chapter or officers' guide. Progressive nationals have had much of that for several decades.

After 35 years of the gathering of campus rank statistics and after personal experience with Deke that included revival of and official advis-ership of a chapter, we were greatly surprised at the average strength of their chapters today. A study of the results of our last survey of the

positions of importance of all chapters on Deke campuses, discloses that Deke is not doing so badly.

Before giving such statistics, however, let's have some more story.

Dekes refer to their fraternity as D.K.E. In fact the English letters are as often over their front doors as the Greek.

Deke is another example that the number of chapters in the long run will dictate the national strength—that largest size for a considerable period pays off in later national eminence. First, Deke was the largest national (from the '40's to the '70's). Then came Beta, then Phi Delt, and finally S.A.E. This knowledge should spur on any national's expansion if it is rivalry conscious.

Phi Psi was tied with Deke in size and importance once, in '69-'70. Both have let superiority and resultant satisfaction and leveling off prevent continued rapid expansion. Deke now has 50 and Phi Psi 54 chapters. There is considerable of a parallel.

Deke was ruled or dominated for decades by the Mother (Yale) chapter which was a class society and not a chapter as we know them. The history of no other national has this factor. In fact, for many years Yale Dekes wore a distinctive badge with the word "Yale" on its face. No other national followed this fashion.

It also has the same excuse any national, that once was very powerful; *viz.*: it is but natural when one reaches the top to lose dissatisfaction and acquire satisfaction—to lose an inferiority complex and become superior. Without some dissatisfaction present, forward progress appears to cease in his world. Oddly, the motto of one retiring old national is "Never Satisfied."

A third factor is that Deke is run by a Council residing in New York City—one member for each chapter. We know of no outstanding progress in any national so run by a group in one city.

Deke has not been much of a pioneer, being oldest on but seven campuses and each of these started in earliest days. It can claim one distinction: it has pirated more chapters from other nationals than any rival twice over—this back in the days before 1900 when such practices were not uncommon. Oddly, this appears not to have given it as much unpopularity as it did respect.

The average number of years Deke chapters have been actually active is 69. No larger national comes near this and only a handful of tiny ones beat it. Now this is not the average age, mind you, but average of years of active life.

Ten chapters have the most years of actual life at their campus and four, Yale, Bowdoin, Amherst, and Colby, have over 100 each.

There are 14 dead chapters but *truly remarkable* is the fact that only W & L, Columbia, and Union died while a rival lived on. At only three others (Union in Tennessee, South Carolina, and W & J) do fraternities yet exist. Few can tie this record.

In earlier days some Deke chapters branded

their initiates (a la Zea Psi but on the left forearm). We are told the Columbia chapter was the last to quit.

Deke is inexpensive to join (national dues). Last report was that \$25 included badge and shingle. In general, the older, smaller nationals have smaller national fees.

There are no sister, jewel, or varied size badges. Their ornate crest is much used and they have made much of the individual chapter crests. Their initiation is also reputed to be extremely simple.

Another custom is the seemingly unnecessary *annual* convention (always in Christmas holidays and usually in the East). This, of course, is an unfair burden on the distant chapters paying their own way.

Deke chartered 30 groups in its first 15 years. No national starting in the nineteenth century can tie this. It appears to have gone in anywhere it could find anyone to accept a charter. This paid off.

Since then some Dekes have viewed with alarm or derision any efforts of others to do that which they had already done. After they quit progressing those who did so were to be scorned. Beta, Phi Delt, Phi Gam, and others of the large nationals of today are now in about the same boat (usually forced into it by a few chapters).

Deke has always been supreme in the New York and New England area. It has had the most chapters there and it got in early. Psi U and Alpha Delta's average strength, average chapter importance was usually greater (until now) but they had many less chapters. Their aggregate was therefore much less.

In the South Deke's average strength was once supreme and is yet high. It now has 18 chapters in New York and New England (leading all rivals) and ten in the South (including Texas). Several in the South have tremendously prestige, two of them very deservedly—Virginia (*the* school of the South) and North Carolina. But Phi Delt and S.A.E. have three times as many "down South" and now of a better average of strength.

In the Big Ten and on the Coast, Deke has been of little import as a whole although Cal, Stanford, and Michigan have been top contenders. Oddly, there are but two chapters in Pennsylvania (where there are ten of Phi Psi and Phi Delt and nine of Sig Ep). Penn, Wisconsin, Illinois, DePauw, Miami, Centre, UCLA, and Alberta have not appreciably helped the standing.

Twelve Deke chapters may rightly be termed *all-time greats*. Our statistics and surveys show each of these to be No. 1 in "all-time, annual, average importance," although only in three cases was Deke the first to enter the campus. These are, with number of past rivals at each: Bowdoin (11), Colby (6), Colgate (14), Lafayette (18), M.I.T. (23), Middlebury (8), C.C.N.Y. (1 left of eight), North Carolina (25), Rensselaer



(18), Virginia (29), Yale (19). Most valuable to Deke prestige over the century have probably been Yale, Virginia, North Carolina, Lafayette, and M.I.T.

Some 15 other chapters merit a mention for their all-time average importance, crowding the top: Alabama, California, Chicago, Cornell, Dartmouth, Michigan, Mississippi, McGill, Rutgers, Stanford, Texas, Toronto, Tulane, Vanderbilt, Williams.

Another dozen rate above mediocre all-time. In fact, only three chapters of those over four years old have done poorly: UCLA, Alberta, and Centre (the last is, however, one of five survivors of ten starters). Northwestern, S.M.U., and British Columbia, each just colony-started, are naturally tailenders.

But what about Deke chapter standing today?

Our last survey at each Deke campus was made somewhere between late 1947 and March, 1950. Unanimous replies show: Top alone: Three (3), Brown, Rochester, Yale. Top but tied by one or more rivals: Two (2), Virginia, and CCNY. Next to top: Eleven (11), Alabama, Amherst, Dartmouth, Lafayette, L.S.U., North Carolina, R.P.I., Syracuse, Texas, Toronto, Tulane. Seven more are in the upper third, 23 out of 50 ain't bad, fellas!

We must include that Deke does ask voluntary alumni boards to aid and spark each chapter. In a few cases they get such. In a few more cases some one alumnus volunteers to steer the chapter and get results. But in the big majority of cases each chapter's boys themselves may or may not keep their group from going up-and-down in the natural cycle from prominence and health to unimportance and trouble.

What about the *type* of Deke chapters? Research shows no particular single national type has existed other than wealthy members. Some envious rivals have occasionally said that Deke stood for Drink, Kuss, and Eat. Many a Deke chapter long had a répute as athletic. Others have been for long spells aristocratic if not snooty or a bit snobbish. Our files, of hundreds of answers since 1912 made by informants with knowledge back to the Civil War, show that no single type has lasted over three decades at any chapter and seldom over one decade.

The one characteristic that Dekes themselves most publicize is "*Jolly Good Fellows*." We are certain they care not what we say about them because their alumni think there is nothing but D.K.E. They are happy as things are.

A big majority of their chapters yet get a goodly percentage of wealthy men, but almost every one takes boys from across the tracks to get their past répute, athletic ability, or just to keep the chapter alive.

Our statistics show that the *extremely* high number of 28 chapters rank higher over the years than is their age-of-arrival-on-campus number. For example, Chicago was sixth to start there but ranks second all-time; Williams

came in ninth but is fourth. In reverse only eight are behind their age order; e.g., Syracuse was first to start but ranks only fourth all-time.

The Phi or mother chapter at Yale now leads in all-time average importance over 20 or more whole or partial past rivals over 106 years. Yale Dekes state and think that Deke has always been supreme there. However that is far from true. Up until Alpha Delt (1836) and Psi U (1839) dropped out in the early '30s the three ran fairly close but with Psi U appreciably ahead and with Alpha Delt a greater amount behind. Psi U became the Fence Club of today but Alpha Delt has no descendant. In recent years even Zeta Psi rated No. 1 for a year or two but that's the sole exception to Deke's reign at the top since the '20's in campus opinion.

Deke once had its own club building in New York City as Zete and Phi Gam yet have. Now it quarters in the Yale Club on Vanderbilt Avenue with full privileges. Presiding for the past 20 years over the national office has been jolly, popular, W. W. (Dutch) Elder (Williams, '08). And Dutch has done a splendid job within the conservative policies prescribed at Deke conventions.

The Deke national and the Deke chapters proceed as of yore. Probably a thousand well-meaning alumni have tried to preach, warn, teach, or prove something about policies of greater progressiveness to their chapters or conventions. Sometimes they have been courteously heard. That ended it. Each chapter (and the national) is autonomous and will prove it. Each takes pride in its independence.

No happier fraternity, set of chapters or alumni exists.

Deke is truly a phenomenon!



CLIFF WINNER, LEHIGH

"Catch me renting another tuxedo!"



Twenty Penn State Sig Ep voices raised in the Interfraternity Sing Contest.



Missouri songsters took second prize out of 26. Les Rosenstengel directing.

## These Singing Groups Took Prizes



Sig Ep Barbershop Quartet at Colorado Mines being presented the first place honors. Left to right are Curtis Conley, Verne Hooker, Robert MacFarlane, Donald Barnes, and William Bradley, the master of ceremonies.

# *With the Alumni*

## **D.C. Founders' Party**

George Washington University Sig Eps held an annual Founders' Day banquet in honor of the establishment of the chapter there in 1909. Present were Uncle Billy Phillips, who has attended all the annual dinners since the founding; Frank Dahn, a founder; and over 50 other Sig Eps, including D.C. Alpha actives.

The chief speaker was Dr. William O. C. M. von Negherbon, of Maryland University, adviser to the Maryland Sig Ep chapter, who spoke on the place of the college fraternity in American life. George S. Mason, D. C. Alpha, was toastmaster.

Well-known Washington alumni who attended included J. Bernard Bradshaw, former president of the alumni chapter, Henry Herzog, comptroller of the University.

—JOHN F. HUDSON

## **Elections in Louisville**

Richard Panther, past president of the Louisville Alumni, has been appointed the new District Governor.

At the annual election held in January the following were elected to the following offices for the coming year: Alfred J. Simon, Jr., president; Roderick Dew, vice-president; Frank Eyl, treasurer; John Schaklette, secretary.

John Jennings was first elected vice-president, but was transferred by his employer to another city. The board of directors for the coming year consists of the officers and Graham White, Carter Jenkins, Richard Garot, Theodore Sheets, and Raymond Miller.

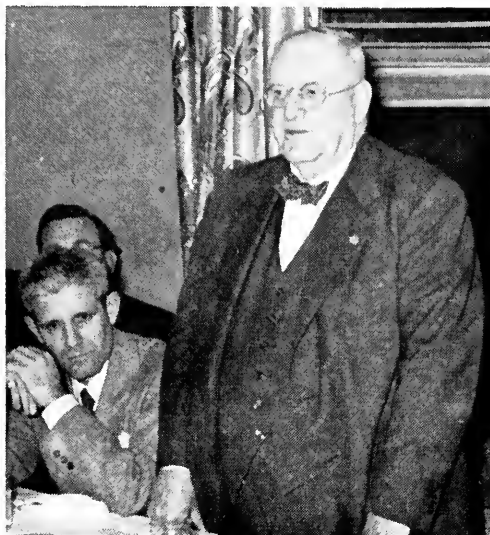
Monthly meetings are held at the chapter house on the second Tuesday of each month in the school year and Graham White has shown great abilities as a chef by serving the best meals the boys ever ate.

Founder Carter Jenkins is in frequent attendance at the meetings and adds greatly by his presence, relating various experiences that the fraternity had when it was in its infancy. Thomas H. Young, Jr., is judge of the Jefferson Quarterly Court.

—ALFRED J. SIMON, JR.

## **Quad City Has Programs**

The Quad City Association is enjoying its twelfth year of continuous monthly gatherings. We meet each month on the first Thursday, generally in the Mo Kan Club in Davenport, Iowa, except during three summer months when the members play golf usually once at Davenport, one time at Rock Island and make a



Uncle Billy Phillips addresses founders' banquet of D. C. Alpha. At his left is Prof. William O. C. M. von Negherbon.

pilgrimage to Muscatine where they play at the club as guests of member Forrest Larmer. Lyle Burroughs was active in the organization of the group and was its first president.

We have had some very good features on our monthly meetings. Mr. Gibson made a very interesting talk on this subject at the November session.

For December the Oscar Mayer Company routed our way their Farm Service Director, Roy Ormond, of Milwaukee, Wis. His subject concerned the meat industry, coupled with a motion picture about the packing problems.

Willis Lathrop usually supplies a motion picture projector and we vary our programs with films, such as the World Series, etc.

At the last election, Henry Dismar was elected president, Clarence W. Timberman, 1500 32nd Street, Rock Island, secretary-treasurer, and Glen H. Ehmke, 1618 7th St., Rock Island, vice-president.

—FORREST P. RALSTON

## **New York Hears Authority**

Members of the New York alumni chapter met for dinner April 11 at the Jumble Shop and later at the chapter house where an officer of the New York Port Authority spoke on the aims and functions of the organization.

—GEORGE FREUND

### **Pittsburgh Gains Momentum**

The Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter, chartered originally on November 9, 1923, has been re-activated. Present officers are Arthur H. MacFadden, president; George W. Collins, vice-president; Smith W. Gealy, treasurer; and Allan T. Johnston, secretary.

Several meetings have been held in the Cathedral of Learning at the University of Pittsburgh, and we have received encouragement from Lester Brailey, Ohio Epsilon, who is assistant dean of men at the University.

The meeting of April 20 was attended by Field Secretary Carl O. Petersen. He suggested one way of keeping our alumni interested was through such projects as assisting the men of Penn Gamma in some constructive undertaking. The alumni have been invited to the spring formal dance of the active chapter in May.

—ALLAN T. JOHNSTON

### **Convocation at Worcester**

This year's Convocation, which is an annual springtime event with Massachusetts Beta, was held on Sunday, April 23. Such alumni as Doc Carleton, Em Wiggin, W. P. Doolittle, Bud Foss, Harry Mochon, Dan Lewis, W. D. Wilkinson, Charles Hardy, Al Swenson, R. C. Jordan, R. Packard, N. Packard, M. M. Rowe, Ray C. Hall, and many others were present. The meeting was preceded by the initiation of three alumni—E. T. Scott, P. H. Hollbrook, and B. C. Shaw, of the classes '41, '19, and '22, respectively. These men were previously members of Delta Tau.

Many old friendships were renewed at the banquet which was held in the house. The prize-winning octet made up of brothers Borski, Turek, Hanson, Orcutt, Palmer, Jordan, Foltz, and Skinny Mueller furnished the entertainment along with a few political wisecracks from the toastmaster, Sherman Hall '27.

It appeared that the alumni were pleased with existing conditions, and Dave Holmes, speaking for the new initiates, assured us that such circumstances would continue to exist.

—WILLIAM T. BAKER

### **Cleveland Lads on the Ball**

This is the Cleveland Alumni Chapter's 30th anniversary year, and promises to be its most active period since the war.

The group had its first meeting back in November, 1920, when fellows like K. Brice Wiggins, Walt Baker and others organized Sig Eps in the Cleveland area. Now there are more than 250 alumni in greater Cleveland, and most of them have been "found" and placed on the chapter's mailing list.

This alumni group has as its goals this year

the increased participation in meetings and activities by local members, and the strengthening of bonds with Ohio and Michigan active chapters. Toward that end, Cleveland alumni have held three successful dinner meetings this year and have a growing attendance at the weekly luncheons every Friday noon. Many Sig Eps whose names were lost during wartime shuffling of records have re-established contact with the alumni chapter after being located through either the new *Directory* or the *JOURNAL*.

In February, Cleveland alumni held a dinner meeting with the Ohio Zeta actives at Baldwin-Wallace College in nearby Berea. The evening included a fine meal, entertainment by a talented group of Ohio Zeta pledges, a look at the many improvements made in the chapter house by the '49-'50 group, and some good old bull sessions about how things are both during and after college days.

Albert S. Porter, Ohio Gamma, '27, Cuyahoga

## ★ Alumni Groups ★

**ALABAMA.** Birmingham Alumni Chapter. Secretary: John T. Smith. First Tuesday night of month, 1111 11th Place South. **ARIZONA.** Phoenix Alumni Association. Secretary: John L. Ewart. No regular meetings. **ARKANSAS.** Fayetteville Alumni Association. Secretary: Raymond J. Ellis, P.O. Box 544, Fayetteville. Little Rock Alumni Association. Secretary: William C. Givens, 5022 Country Club Boulevard, Little Rock. **CALIFORNIA.** Berkeley Alumni Chapter. Secretary: E. Avery Tindall, 4127 Manila Avenue, Oakland, Los Angeles Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Robert A. Havenner. First Monday night of month at Sig Ep house. Riverside Alumni Association. Secretary: Willis G. Colburn, 3631 Elmwood Drive, Riverside. San Diego Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Del Beekley. Third Monday night of month at Savoy Cafe. Santa Barbara Alumni Association. Secretary: Kenney Linder, 710C Pilgrim Terrace, Santa Barbara. **COLORADO.** Denver Alumni Chapter. Secretary: W. E. Huiter, 1322 Madison Street, Denver. Every Friday noon at Denver Dry Goods Tea Room. Fort Collins Alumni Association. Secretary: Claude E. Gausman, 831 Whedhee Street, Fort Collins. Rocky Ford Alumni Association. Secretary: Robert J. McBride, Route 4, Box 174, Rocky Ford. **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.** D. C. Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Joseph Newlin, 1515 North Fillmore Street, Arlington, Va. Last Thursday noon of month at O'Donnell's Sea Grill. **FLORIDA.** Miami Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Grover Baker, 1782 Opechee Drive, Miami. Tallahassee Alumni Association. Secretary: Freeman W. Ashmore. Fourth Thursday noon of month at Colony House. **GEORGIA.** Atlanta Alumni Chapter. Secretary: James T. Whitner, Route 1, Dunwoody. **ILLINOIS.** Chicago Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Walter Edwards, 430 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 11. Second Monday night of month at Hotel LaSalle. **INDIANA.** Indianapolis Alumni Chapter. Secretary: William A. Hanley, R.R. 17, Box 158. **IOWA.** Des Moines Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Richard Nelson, 2405 Fortieth Street, Des Moines. Cedar Rapids Alumni Association. Secretary: Richard F. Nazette, American Building, Cedar Rapids. Quad City Alumni Association. Secretary: Clarence Timberman. First Thursday night of month at Club Mokar, Davenport. **KANSAS.** Henry H. Farrar. Every Thursday noon at Woolf's Cafeteria. Leavenworth Alumni Association. Secretary: Jean T. Fisher, 217 West Sixth Street, Topeka. Wichita Alumni Chapter. Secretary: O. Dillon Neal, 519 North Dellrose, Wichita. **KENTUCKY.** Louisville Alumni Chapter. Secretary: John Schacklette. Second Tuesday night of month at Sig Ep house. **LOUISIANA.** New Orleans Alumni Association. Secretary:

(Cleveland) County engineer, was the speaker at the March meeting, held in the University Club. His was a highly interesting story on the how and why of the highways we travel on, giving the lowdown on the future of auto transit on local and national roads, and telling some of the problems that beset the government agencies that build these highways.

Cleveland alumni meet every Friday noon at the Nanking Restaurant, downstairs in the Hipp Theater Building on Euclid Avenue. Turnout includes members from classes of '15 to '50, and representing chapters from Vermont to California, Washington State to Florida.

Among the regulars you'll find at luncheon and dinner meetings are Charles F. Stewart, Florida Alpha, '28; Creighton Davies, Ohio Epsilon, '30; Harry Kurtz, Ohio Gamma, '37; Dick Steudel, Michigan Alpha, '41; Jim Collins, New York Beta, '44; Harold Hayes, Minnesota Alpha, '23; Harold Fitch, West Virginia, Beta; Bob Mizen, Ohio Gamma, '37;

Dick Cook, Ohio Gamma, '31; K. B. Wiggins, Ohio Gamma, '20; Ed Rotsinger, Ohio Gamma, '41; Harry Kanastab, Ohio Epsilon, '39; Harry Kieding, Illinois Alpha, '35; Howard Berthold, Ohio Gamma, '42; Clair Widmer, Oregon Beta; Ray Krieger, Ohio Gamma, '22; Dick Nelson, California Beta, '47; John Stroud, Ohio Epsilon, '32; Myles Wilder, Vermont Alpha, '08; George Wilkinson, Ohio Gamma, '23; and Jack Gamble, Washington Alpha, '38.

Stewart is the Cleveland group's energetic prexy, and Kurtz keeps steam up in his dual capacity as District Governor and program chairman. Any alumni in the Cleveland area who are not in contact with the chapter are invited to the luncheons, and may receive mailings by calling secretary Jack Gamble at EDison 1-4939.

Lew Mason, New York Alpha, '36, was a surprise visitor at the Cleveland Alumni's March dinner. A longtime member of this group, Lew was transferred to New York City by his

Dr. John F. McCloskey, dean, Loyola University School of Pharmacy, New Orleans. **MARYLAND.** Baltimore Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Richard Aldrich. No regular meetings. **MASSACHUSETTS.** Boston Alumni Association. Secretary: E. R. Trowsdale. Last Thursday night of month at Pegis Club house. **MICHIGAN.** Central Michigan Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Barrett Lyons, 915 Westlawn, East Lansing, Detroit Alumni Chapter. Secretary: John F. Jordan, 611 Hammond Building, Detroit. **MINNESOTA.** Twin City Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Robert Davis, 700 Pioneer Building, St. Paul. **MISSISSIPPI.** Jackson Alumni Association. Secretary: Tom McGaha, 156 South Prentiss, Jackson. **MISSOURI.** Kansas City Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Bill Biggerstaff. Third Tuesday night of month at Plaza Royale. St. Louis Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Hugo G. Autz, 3944 Canterbury Drive, Normandy. **MONTANA.** Missoula Alumni Chapter. Secretary: John McGilvry, 422 Ford Street, Missoula. Every Friday noon at Montmartre Cafe. Western Montana Alumni Association. Secretary: Edgar H. Reeder, 3636 Atherton Place, Butte. **NEBRASKA.** Aksarben Alumni Chapter. Secretary: William Krug, 3316 Walnut Street, Omaha, Lincoln Alumni Chapter. Secretary: A. E. Wenke. Every other Thursday noon at Chamber of Commerce. **NEW MEXICO.** Albuquerque Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Oren Strong, Strong-Throne Mortuary, Albuquerque. **NEW YORK.** Buffalo Alumni Association. Secretary: Roy S. Runk, 374 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, New York Alumni Chapter. Secretary: James W. Ellwanger, 12 Marion Avenue, Millburn, N.J. Night meetings at Sig Ep house. Syracuse Alumni Association. Secretary: John W. Brooks, 224 Harrison Street, Syracuse. Westchester County Alumni Chapter. Secretary: G. P. Humphrey, 630 Gramatan Avenue, Mount Vernon. **NORTH CAROLINA.** Asheville Alumni Chapter. Secretary: L. Taylor Bledsoe, 73 Cumberland Circle, Asheville. Charlotte Alumni Association. Secretary: James H. Branhardt, 201 Altondale, Charlotte. Greensboro Alumni Association. Secretary: William H. Sullivan, P.O. Box 232, Greensboro. **OHIO.** Cleveland Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Jack Gamble. Every Friday noon at Nanking Restaurant. Columbus Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Carleton B. Stevens, 1634 Summit Street, Columbus. Every Tuesday noon at the University Club. Cincinnati Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Clifford B. Gooding, 2544 Loanntville, Cincinnati 12. Second Monday night of month at Sig Ep house. Oxford Alumni Association. Secretary: Dr. Robert F. Almy, Miami University, Oxford. Meet on call at Sig Ep house. **OKLAHOMA.** Eastern Oklahoma Alumni Chapter.

Secretary: Russell Proctor. Every Tuesday noon at 4 & 8 Club, Tulsa. Oklahoma City Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Thomas W. Utterback, Oklahoma National Bank. Once a month at night at Beverly's. **OREGON.** Portland Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Robert LeTourneau, Federal Savings & Loan Association, 323 S.W. Fifth Avenue, Portland. First Friday night of month at Heathman Hotel. **PENNSYLVANIA.** Philadelphia Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Charles S. Thompson, 426 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Allan T. Johnston, 613 McCully St. **SOUTH CAROLINA.** Columbia Alumni Association. Secretary: S. Earl Skidmore, 342 South Harden Street, Columbia. **TENNESSEE.** Chattanooga Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Web C. Brown, 118 East 18th Street, Chattanooga. Knoxville Alumni Chapter. Secretary: John M. Armistead, 2929 East Magnolia Avenue, Knoxville. Last Thursday of month, 7:30 p.m. at Sig Ep house. Memphis Alumni Chapter. Secretary: F. Weston Morgan, 1820 Foster Street, Memphis. Middle Tennessee Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Theodore F. Register, Castleman Drive and Hillsboro Road, Nashville. **TEXAS.** Austin Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Charles L. Krueger, Littlefield Building, Austin. Dallas Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Herbert O. Craft. Last Thursday night of month at Melrose Hotel, Houston Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Wayne L. Adams. **UTAH.** Ogden Alumni Association. Secretary: Wilford J. Smeding, 1967 Eccles Avenue, Ogden. Salt Lake City Alumni Chapter. Secretary: R. Wallace Gibson. First and third Tuesday noons of month at Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City. Logan Alumni Association. Secretary: Cyril D. Garr. **VIRGINIA.** Richmond Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Wilbur L. Jenkins, 3410 Monument Avenue. Every Friday 1:00 p.m. at the Cosmopolitan. Tidewater Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Merick Campbell, 7439 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk. **WASHINGTON.** Spokane Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Benton Bangs, Jr., 2028 West Mansfield, Spokane. Tacoma Alumni Association. Secretary: Wade Coykendall, c/o United Pacific Insurance Company, Tacoma. Puget Sound Alumni Chapter. Secretary: N. P. Thompson. Every Friday noon at Kirkpatrick's downtown restaurant. Second Monday night of month at Sig Ep house, Seattle. **WEST VIRGINIA.** Charleston Alumni Association. Secretary: E. Franklin Pauley, Kanawha Building, Charleston. Huntington Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Dorian Cook. Monthly night meetings at Hotel Frederick. **WISCONSIN.** Milwaukee Alumni Chapter. Secretary: Roger Scholbe, 5635A West Brooklyn Place, Milwaukee 9.

company, Sherwin-Williams, a few years ago. A business visit to Cleveland happily coincided with the alumni chapter dinner.

—JACK GAMBLE

### **Des Moines Hears Smolenske**

At the February meeting of the Des Moines Alumni Chapter, held jointly with the Iowa Delta Alumni Corporation at the Iowa Delta chapter house, officers were elected for 1950. They are: George F. Rutledge, Missouri Alpha, '37, president; Amos B. Emery, Pennsylvania Delta, '22, vice-president; and Quentin C. Teich, Iowa Beta, '22, secretary-treasurer.

Meetings are now held on the first Tuesday after the tenth of each month at the Iowa Delta chapter house, 1073 37th Street in Des Moines. Meetings are held jointly with the Iowa Delta Alumni Corporation whose officers for 1950 are Leslie M. Shaw, president; Ralph C. Amend, vice-president; Glen C. Wallace, secretary; and Paul F. Morrison, treasurer.

The joint conclave of Districts XI and XX was held in Ames, Iowa, on April 1 and 2. On the evening of April 1, 90 delegates, actives, and alumni met at Bishop's Cafeteria in Des Moines for a dinner and meeting on "Alumni Relations." Speakers were Dr. William C. Smolenske, Grand Vice-president; Arthur C. Wahl of Des Moines, E. E. Axthelm and Chris Steinmetz, District Governors, and Pete Petersen, traveling secretary.

Des Moines alumni are active in assisting the Iowa Delta Alumni Corporation in management and eventual remodeling of the Drake University's Iowa Delta chapter house purchased last summer.

### **Phoenix Men Arise**

The Phoenix Alumni Association was formed in Phoenix, Ariz., on January 24, 1950, with 14 members present.

On March 1, a follow-up dinner was held at the Phoenix Country Club. Among those present were Field Secretary Carl O. Petersen and a number of students and faculty members from Arizona State Teachers College, Tempe.

—RAY BATTIN

### **Huntington, W.Va.**

Alumni activity seems at present to be confined to the efforts of Charles T. Brooks and Dorian Cook, who are respectively president and secretary-treasurer of the Huntington Alumni Association. The alumni have consistently failed to fill up the one 8½ by 11 page assigned to them exclusively in the active chapter's mimeographed newspaper, the *Sig Epic*.

—HUBERT NEELY

### **Name '53 Conclave Chairman**

The Portland Alumni Chapter's April meeting was held Friday, April 14, in the Heathman Hotel. Despite the postponement of the meeting for one week because of Good Friday 27 brothers were on hand for dinner, a business meeting, and general bull-session.

The nominating committee for 1950-51 officers submitted the names of Bob Downie, Oregon Alpha, president; Howard Brewton, Georgia Alpha, vice-president; and Stan Sackett, Oregon Alpha, secretary-treasurer. Election of officers will be held May 5.

President Benny DiBenedetto, Oregon Beta, announced that Howard Brewton, Georgia Alpha, had accepted the chairmanship of the 1953 Grand Chapter Conclave.

District Governor H. R. Robinson, Oregon Alpha, presented a proposal by National Scholarship Chairman U. G. Dubach that the Portland Alumni sponsor some local boys in camps this summer in addition to supporting the national camp fund. The proposal was passed and before the meeting closed the fund held \$65 in cash.

A committee was authorized to circularize Sig Eps in the state and solicit their contributions on a voluntary basis. Boys are to be selected by some welfare agency and will go to an organized camp in the area.

President Di Benedetto announced that eleven men had received counseling and job placement interviews through alumni during the past two months.

Fifty alumni from Portland and vicinity gathered for dinner and a double-barreled program, featuring Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., and National Scholarship Chairman U. G. Dubach, at the Heathman Hotel, March 3.

The Grand Secretary gave a report to the alumni on the state of the fraternity and commented briefly on the necessary planning which must be done for the 1953 Conclave scheduled for Portland.

Dr. Dubach who, according to the president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, "represents no organized political party, he is a Republican," was originally scheduled to talk about the Truman "Fair Deal." Departing from his published title, he gave a rousing talk on the meaning of brotherhood and the necessity for alumni assistance in convincing the active chapters that their scholastic standards must be improved.

The Portland Alumni Chapter meets the first Friday of every month at the Heathman Hotel in downtown Portland. The cocktail hour starts at 6:30 with dinner being served at 7:00 P.M.

—TED BUSH

## ★ BRIEFS ★

**Alabama**

Norman von Rosenvinge, '33, is vice consul for Denmark with office in Boston, Mass.

**Alabama Poly**

Robert F. McNulty, '39, is assistant sales manager for parts and accessories at the Ford Motor Company assembly plant in Somerville, Mass.

**Arkansas**

Edward T. Wallace is a staff writer for the *New York World Telegram and the Sun*.

**Baker**

The Rev. A. Otis Beach, '37, is minister of the Methodist Church at Council Grove, Kan.

Richard N. Gray, '43, is situated with the Social Security Board at Eureka, Calif.

Durrel W. Butler, '25, is an apartment manager, situated at Beverly Hills, Calif.

Frank A. Hobbie, Jr., is with the Santa Fe Railroad at Barstow, Calif.

Lendon L. Scott is an instructor in physical education with the Santa Monica Board of Education, Santa Monica, Calif.

Clyde Spangler, '12, a charter member of his chapter, was one of the Masonic officers installed on December 29, 1949, in ceremonies conducted in the Robert Furnas Lodge Hall in Scottsbluff, Iowa.

Harvey Smith, '08, since his retirement three



J. P. Gramling, S. C. Alpha, '31, assistant salesmanager, Colson Co., Paris, Ill.

years ago has spent much of the time in traveling over the 48 states, four provinces of Canada, Mexico, and Hawaii. Much of his journey was done via trailer.

Dr. Edward Hedges, '28, was recently chosen one of the ten best dressed men in Indiana. He is now enjoying a leave of absence from the University of Indiana, where he is professor of economics.

Prof. Richard N. Bender, initiated 1949, and head of the philosophy department at Baker University, created quite a stir when his book, *A Philosophy of Life*, was reviewed by the *Kansas City Star*. The review was unfavorable and brought swift retaliation from numerous sources. Controversy centers around Prof. Bender's philosophical view as a Personalist, and misquoting by the reviewer.

—CHARLES H. CUTLER

**Brown**

Vincent W. Leonard, '16, is electrical engineer with General Electric Company at Lynn, Mass.

**California**

Henry A. Anderson, '27, is employed by the California Farm Bureau Federation, Los Angeles, Calif.

Earl C. Miles, '48, is employed by the Kaiser-Frazer Motor Company, Willow Run, Mich.

Howard W. Thompson, '32, is associated with the California Fruit Growers Exchange, Ontario, Calif.

Walter J. Escherich, '18, is a partner in Escherich Brothers, contractors, Los Angeles, Calif.

Robert O. Ford, '24, is with the department of water and power of the city of Los Angeles, Calif.

Orville R. Caldwell, '18, is an executive deputy in the office of the mayor of Los Angeles, Calif.

Hubert J. Pedersen, '32, operates Pedersen Brothers Insurance Agency, Los Angeles, Calif.

Harold E. Rossiter, '23, is with Crown City Nurseries, Pasadena, Calif.

Donald V. Spagnoli, '23, is on the staff of Glendale College, Glendale, Calif.

Harold C. Tonini, '38, is employed by the board of education of Long Beach, Calif.

**Colorado**

Cecil M. Draper, '29, claims attorney for the Denver Tramway Corporation, is chairman of the claims division of the American Transit Association.

Arthur L. Aikin, '31, is assistant manager of the Chesapeake district for General Electric Supply Corporation, with offices at Washington, D.C.

Walter E. Blomgren, '13, is assistant chief



engineer for the Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colo.

Jack B. Pohlenz, '45, is assistant professor of chemical engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.

Thomas M. Shallenberger, '42, operates an accounting office at Long Beach, Calif.

Richard C. Sukeforth, '35, is an accountant with the Foote Axle and Forge Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

J. Ross Reed, Jr., '39, is associated with the National Electric Coil Company, Columbus, Ohio.

George A. Argabrite, '26, is an engineer at North Hollywood, Calif.

Stephen A. Bradfield, '30, is an engineer with the Southern California Gas Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Leo M. Meeker, '14, is proprietor of the Meeker Land Company, Arcadia, Calif.

Fred D. Zimmerman, '18, is a realtor with Harry Kem Company, Ltd., Beverly Hills, Calif.

### **Colorado State**

Hal W. Schwalm, '33, is with the agriculture service of the University of California, Los Angeles, Calif.

Donald S. Barth, '38, is a test pilot for Douglas Aircraft at Santa Monica, Calif.

Frank L. Engle, Jr., '42, is with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Hilan Keagy, '30, is a veterinarian for the Beverly Hills Small Animal Hospital at Beverly Hills, and Howard E. Sawyer, '30, also a veterinarian, operates Dr. Sawyer's Small Animal Hospital at Glendale, Calif.

### **Dartmouth**

Dartmouth alumni held a meeting January 14 to elect new officers of the house corporation. Elected were Pete Fitzherbert, '36, president; Rey Moulton, '35, second vice-president; Charlie Kazaross, '41, secretary; Tom Close, '44, treasurer; and George McKee, '23, clerk.

Roger C. Carlton, '23, is an engineer in the television Research Department of the Bell Telephone Laboratories, New York City. He is working on the design of microwave radio relay systems to provide television networks between New York and Chicago and points west.

Murray Sayer, '50, is attending Columbia Law School.

Francis Brick, '25, is a member of the law firm of Donovan, Leisure, Newton, and Lombard, Wall Street, New York City.

Edward Smith, '45, is a flight navigator for Trans-Caribbean Airlines, flying between Europe, South America, and the U.S.A.

Roy J. Hayes, '23, is a sales official of the Hershey Chocolate Corporation and resides in Kenmore, N.Y.

Lennard J. Gammel, '46, is enrolled in the School of Dentistry of Western Reserve University.

Gordon P. Chipman, '26, is proprietor of the Chip-Ahoy resort hotel at Cocoa, Fla.

Ted F. Childs, '30, is superintendent of the Brockton Hospital, Brockton, Mass.

Elmer S. Mather, '32, is an accountant with the Orient Insurance Company, Hartford, Conn.

Francis J. Leahy, '30, is owner of the Randolph (Massachusetts) Coal Company. He says: "Married, five children, all girls."

Elmer R. Trumbull, '45, is instructing in chemistry at Tufts College.

### **Delaware**

Lionel G. Mulholland, '16, is president and owner of the Mulholland Company, wholesale milk products, in Boston.

C. Craig Cannon, '36, Major, Corps of Engineers, writes: "Will be leaving this summer after completing two year course (MBA) at Harvard. New assignment unknown."

W. Dent Smith, '22, has been appointed a director of the Dominion Bank, Toronto, Canada. This bank has 138 branches, one of which is in London, another in New York.

Sam Maroney, '22, is principal of the P. S. duPont High School at Wilmington, Del.

Norman Groves, '14, is a director of the Delaware State Educational Association.

Richard I. Rinard, '30, is city editor of the *Journal Every Evening*, Wilmington, Del.

### **Denver**

Karl Winchell, '14, is executive secretary of the Wyoming Education Association, Cheyenne, Wyo.

William Yersin, '39, is a representative in the state legislature of Colorado, from Burlington.

### **Drake**

Gene Ollrich, '49, former all-Missouri Conference basketball player, and professional player for the Waterloo Hawks during the season of 1949, is employed as a salesman for the Van Ginkle Sporting Goods Company, Des Moines, Iowa.

Thomas E. Cosgrove, '49, former president of his chapter, is coach of athletics at Storm Lake, Iowa.

### **Illinois**

Dr. Robert A. Oakes, '04, has retired from active medical practice at Chicago, Ill., and moved to San Diego, Calif.

Frederick W. Mast, '33, is vice-president of Jens Oleson & Sons Construction Company,

Waterloo, Iowa, industrial and public utility constructors.

Lt. Col. Arthur C. Nauman, '34, has assumed command of an engineering aviation group at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Eugene P. Goodman, '37, is a chemical engineer with Standard Oil Company at the Whiting, Ind., refinery.

James P. McCarthy, '43, plays for the Chicago Hornets, professional football team.

Roger W. Brown, '33, is manager of the St. Paul, Minn., office of the Industrial Credit Company.

Howard Brown, '31, is Wisconsin zone manager of the Pure Oil Company, situated at Madison, Wis.

Alan W. Abels, '30, is contracts manager for Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation, San Diego, Calif.

Lawrence E. Dimond, '26, is a special agent for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, Aurora, Ill.

Roger K. Larson, '43, is application engineer with General Electric Company, Schenectady, N.Y.

Gwain R. Surbuck, '49, is a chiropractor at Urbana, Ill.

Gordon P. Rothwell, '24, and Carl F. Schmidt, '36, are both engineers with Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, Burbank, Calif., while John J. Rose, '31, is employed by the Southern California Cooperative Wind Tunnel, Pasadena, Calif.

Glenn C. Ames, '35, is a partner in the law firm of Jeffrey & Ames, Encino, Calif.

James W. Murland, '27, is associated with the Security First National Bank, North Hollywood, Calif.

Lawrence S. English, Jr., '39, is employed by the Personal Finance Company, El Monte, Calif.

Willard S. Regur, '27, is a lieutenant of police with the city of Los Angeles, Calif.

Edward C. Bardwell, '24, sells insurance for the Mutual General Agency, Los Angeles, Calif.

Maurice A. Cattani, '40, is associated with the Shannon Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Edwin J. Lawson, Jr., is employed by the Aluminum Company of America, Los Angeles, Calif.

Omar J. Bollinger, '23, is associated with the Craig Movie Supply Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Harry W. Penhallow, '24, is vocational adviser at the Veterans Hospital, San Fernando, Calif.

**Indiana**

Robert L. Carroll, is an announcer and newscaster for Radio Station WCTW, New Castle, Ind. He is also radio director for 38th Infantry Division, Indiana National Guard, in charge of all radio activities for the Division in the Hoosier state.

★ 19 YEARS A PLEDGE ★



**JOHN N. RUSSO**  
University of Delaware

**JOHN N. RUSSO, '35**, prominent Wilmingtonian, was formally initiated into the Delaware Alpha Chapter as an honorary member on March 6, 1950. During his college days he was a Sig Ep pledge but was never formally initiated.

Since his graduation from college, John Russo has engaged in many worthwhile activities in Delaware and has held several positions on various committees. At the present time he is the personnel manager of the Allied Kid Company, and chairman of the Tanners' National Safety Committee. His promotion of safety does not stop with his work, for he is also a member of the board of directors of the Delaware Safety Council. Athletics play an important part in his life. He was the past president of the New Castle County officials and referees, and is the present president of the Wilmington Touchdown Club. He is also chairman of the industrial area for the Red Cross Drive, a member of the Lions' Club, member of the board of directors of the C.Y.O., and chairman of the Banquet Committee for the University Mid-Winter and Spring Alumni Reunions.

## Iowa

Edward R. Stiles, Jr., '46, is a methods engineer for John Deere and Company, Des Moines, Iowa.

Lowell C. Battershell, '34, is with the Douglas Aircraft Corporation at Santa Monica, Calif.

Frank L. Kostlan, '20, is assistant city attorney of the city of Pasadena, Calif.

Chester I. Mead, M.D., '23, practices medicine at Bakersfield, Calif.

Ralph A. Peet, '23, is proprietor of the Peet Printing and Publishing Company, Montrose, Calif.

Charles D. Horn, '23, is associated with the Broadway Department Store, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Iowa State

John H. Vaughan, '40, is an engineer with Douglas Aircraft Corporation, Santa Monica, Calif.

Robert M. Crone, '43, is an engineer with North American Aviation, Municipal Airport, Los Angeles, Calif.

Donald N. McRoberts, '43, is with Hughes Aircraft Corporation, Culver City, Calif.

Edwin T. Weatherwax, '17, is an engineer with Holmes & Narver, Los Angeles, Calif.

Howard M. Boyer, '43, is employed by the Southern California Gas Company, El Centro, Calif.

Lyle Tussing, '32, is director of instruction for El Camino College, El Camino, Calif.

## Iowa Wesleyan

Leslie H. Johnson, '38, is minister at the Newton, Mass., Methodist Church.

## Kansas State

James R. Ketchersid, '37, is a veterinarian with the Arrowview Animal Clinic, San Bernardino, Calif.

Terryll Dougherty, '42, is with the *Evening Outlook*, Santa Monica, Calif.

Frank L. Brooks, Jr., '38, is with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Beaumont, Calif.

Herbert M. Wallingford, '26, is with the Grimes Electric Company, Santa Ana, Calif.

## Lawrence

Russell O. Denyes, '31, is a chief in the central research department of the Celanese Corporation of America, Summit, N.J.

Robert Beggs, '31, is vice-president of Roddis Plywood Corporation, Marshfield, Wis.

Fred W. Newmeyer, '46, is a representative for Taverner & Fricke Paper Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Chester L. Roberts, '36, is associated with the



Lumberman Robert T. Beggs, Lawrence, '31.

Roberts Medical-Dental Group, Glendale, Calif.

Charles S. Larsen, '38, is with Sears, Roebuck Stores, Pasadena, Calif.

W. Henry Cooke, '17, is a teacher at Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, Calif.

Thomas P. Jenkin, '37, is a lecturer at the University of California, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Lehigh

John A. Christie, '48, a past president of his chapter, is assistant provost at Lingnan University, Canton, China.

## Louisville

Thomas McGuire, '49, is a health physicist for the Monsanto Chemical Company, situated in the Mound Laboratory which that company operates for the Atomic Energy Commission at Miamisburg, Ohio.

## Maine

Harry Allen, '49, has a fellowship at Northeastern University, Boston.

Douglas R. Johnson, '48, is now traveling New England, inspecting for the Lumber Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Boston.

## Massachusetts

William J. Wall is an instructor in the department of entomology, University of California, at Davis, while studying for his Ph.D. degree.

Albert P. Richards, '36, is consulting biologist

and assistant director at the W. F. Clapp Laboratories in Duxbury, Mass.

Carl E. Anderson, '38, writes: "With General Electric Company ten years, formerly on tool and methods planning but now foreman of inspection division at the River works in West Lynn. Married, son Barry four years old."

Albert W. Dodge, '12, consulting arborist, was recently elected chairman, New England Council for Shade Tree Preservation.

Clark Kendall, '49, is selling Fords in Lexington.

Kenneth Spaulding, '49, is with the Acme Casualty and Surety Company with headquarters in Hartford, Conn.

## Michigan

James B. Finegan, '45, is sales representative for Wolverine Tube Division of Calumet and Hecla Consolidated Copper Company. His headquarters is in Providence, R.I., but his territory covers New England.

Frank H. Bessenger, '33, has his own accounting business at 460 South Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena, Calif.

Corwin D. Denney, '43, is associated with the American Helicopter Company, Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Adelbert W. Hoy, '29, is an engineer with the California State Division of Highways, Los Angeles, Calif.

William O. Jacobs, '43, has his own engineering organization at San Gabriel, Calif.

Ross J. Reed, M.D., '05, practices medicine at Pasadena, Calif.

Max E. Rafelson, '43, is a research fellow in the department of biochemistry, school of medicine, University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Jack W. De Camp, '28, is co-proprietor of V. J. DeCamp & Son, "Shoes for Everyone," at East Lansing, Mich.

## Middlebury

Irving C. Keene, '27, is biology instructor in the Brookline, Massachusetts High School.

J. Wilbert Hutton, '34, is superintendent, J. Fullerton and Company, coffee importers and roasters, Boston, Mass.

Gordon E. Westby, '37, is assistant manager of the Park Square branch of the National Shawmut Bank of Boston.

Michael Kolligan, Jr., '44, says: "Started practice of Dentistry in July of 1948. Also member of faculty of Tufts College Dental School." His office is in Medford, Mass.

Peter Q. McKee, '45, is instructor at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass.

## Minnesota

Alexander R. Miller, '24, is general secretary of the Y.M.C.A., Newton, Mass.

John T. Hill, '29, is vice-president, New England Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston, Mass.

## Mississippi

Rayford N. Edgar, M.D., '49, is practicing optometry at Water Valley, Miss.

## Montana

Jack R. Dobbins, '49, is a junior accountant with Congdon, O'Hara & Becker, at Kalispell, Mont.

Alfred E. Spaulding, '32, supervisor of the Colville National Forest in the state of Washington, has been moved up to the position of Assistant Regional Forester in Region No. 1 encompassing the Northwest.

Robert J. Fromm, '39, is a member of the editorial staff of *Data Digest* in New York City.

Lt. Col. L. F. Downing, '36, is inspector general for the USAF school of aviation medicine at the Randolph Air Force base, Texas.

Thomas Bogardus, '47, is circulation manager of the *Turlock Daily Journal*, Turlock, Calif.

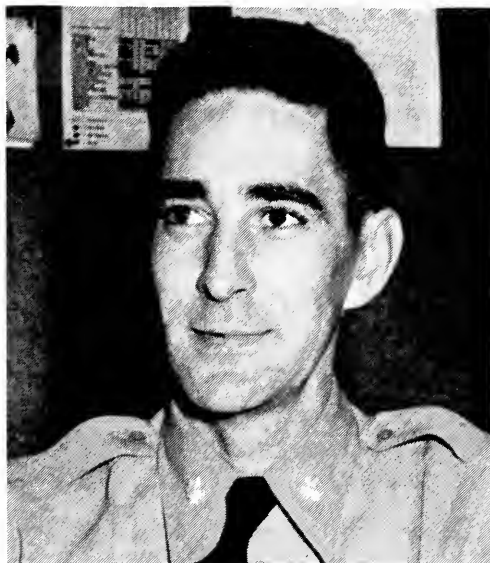
## Nebraska

W. W. Hollingsworth has his own accounting firm in Los Angeles, Calif.

Herman D. Wollmer, '23, practices accounting at Los Angeles, Calif.

Leslie I. Johnstone, '19, is with Graham Brothers, Inc., El Monte, Calif.

Donald Jennings is a dentist in the Mutual Building, Los Angeles, Calif.



Lt. Col. Leighton F. Downing, Montana, '36, officer of school of aviation medicine.

Robert W. Kieffe, '46, is with the Morris Plan of California, Long Beach, Calif.

Purman Y. Rembe, '36, is employed by the Newport Canning Company, Newport Beach, Calif.

Glen M. Ruby, '16, is a geologist with Exploration Contractors, Inc., New York City.

Robert Dreibus, '39, is employed by the Harvill Company, manufacturers of machinery, Los Angeles, Calif.

August J. Widman, '26, is associated with the Latchford-Marble Glass Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Robert C. Ritchie, '40, is employed by the Technicolor Motion Picture Corporation, Hollywood, Calif.

Kenneth K. Plehn, '20, is with the General Petroleum Corporation, Los Angeles, Calif.

E. Burke Smith, '40, is employed by the American Smelting & Refining Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

John W. Cunningham, '27, is a counselor at the Union High School, Paso Robles, Calif.

## **New Mexico**

Dwight McGuire is an accountant with the Celotex Corporation, Los Angeles, Calif.

William K. Weeks, '38, is on the staff of the high school at San Bernardino, Calif.

## **N.Y.U.**

Walter J. Theisson, '37, is doing sales promotion work for the Knapp Brothers Shoe Manufacturing Corporation of Brockton, Mass.

George E. Wolf is director of photography of *The Great Brain Robbery*, motion picture produced by Henry Klinger of Twentieth-Century-Fox Film Corporation and the Mystery Writers of America, which premiered in the grand ballroom of New York's Henry Hudson Hotel, April 20.

Joe Cavataio is working upstate and writing a novel in his spare time.

John Mottotese is control officer at N. Y. International Airport.

Joe Otto, of Transradio Press, was a guest of President Quirino of the Philippines, during his stay at New York's Waldorf-Astoria.

Philip Leto is employed by the Ford Motor Company in New York.

Past President Joseph J. McCauley, Jr., an insurance representative in Flushing, L. I., has recently been elected to the Alumni Board.

Arnold C. Miller, III, is program director for the Y.M.C.A. in Troy, N.Y.

Gunther Pohl is with the historical division of the New York Public Library.

Donald Estrup is with Esso in New York City.

John H. McCormack is teaching high school in Queens.

## **North Carolina**

Norman W. Raies, '31, is general manager of the Purchasing Corporation of America, Huntington, W. Va.

## **N.C. State**

District Governor R. D. Beam was recently elected secretary of the North Carolina Dairy Foundation. He has also served as secretary of North Carolina State's committee on the erection of an Alumni Memorial Tower to the memory of students who gave their lives in World War I. He is president of the class of 1926, which will hold its silver anniversary reunion in 1951. Another Sig Ep—John C. Thompson—is secretary of the class of 1927.

N. Hunt Gwyn, Jr., '48, is a salesman for John Wiley & Sons, book publishers, New York City.

## **Norwich**

Frederick M. Matthews, '21, is president of the Matthews Motor Company, Fitchburg, Mass.

Maurice E. Clark, '24, is an engineer for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company in Boston.

Waldo D. Van Ness, '24, is electrical engineer with Metropolitan Transit Authority, Boston.

Philip E. Dempsey, '28, teaches at the Marblehead, Mass., High School.

Laurence N. D'Angelo, '40, is a meter tester with General Electric Company in Lynn, Mass.

Kurt R. Thoma, '41, is a buyer for Jordan Marsh Company, Boston.

Thomas N. Breese, Jr., '43, is a salesman for wholesale jewelry in Attleboro, Mass.

Chester F. Fitz-Gerald, '49, is taking the trainee program at the Draper Corporation, textile machinery manufacturers, Hopedale, Mass.

C. Dana Switzer, '49, is with Cleverdon, Varney and Pike, structural engineers, in Boston.

Kenneth Y. Wright, Jr., '49, is a chemist with Lever Brothers in Cambridge, Mass.

## **Oklahoma**

Reed Scott is associated with the Stanolind Oil and Gas Company, Woodville, Mass.

## **Oklahoma A & M**

Joe B. Martin, '29, is Scout Executive of the Great Salt Plains Council, Enid, Okla. He is a former chairman of the Garfield County Red Cross Drive and a past president of the Enid Kiwanis Club.

Frank Carter, '24, is a partner in the law offices of Otjen and Carter, Bass Building, Enid, Okla.

**Penn**

Robert B. Van Arsdale, '40, is an accountant with Haskell & Sells, Los Angeles, Calif.

Carlton H. Waters, M.D., and Franklin E. Waters, M.D., both '36, practice medicine in the Kress Building, Long Beach, Calif.

**Penn State**

Paul E. Altman, '48, is a stress analyst engineer for Douglas Aircraft, Santa Monica, Calif.

**Purdue**

Stuart D. Distelhorst, '35, was named secretary-treasurer, and G. E. Hargreaves, '36, a director, of the Purdue University Metropolitan Philadelphia Club last November.

Frank K. Leonard, '08, operates an accounting office at Los Angeles, Calif.

Ralph L. Merrill, '47, is an engineer with Douglas Aircraft Company, Long Beach, Calif.

Edward T. Ronan, '47, is an engineer with North American Aviation situated at the municipal airport, Los Angeles.

I. Scott Boothman, '48, is with Aerojet aircraft, Azusa, Calif.

Robert R. Hensler, '39, is a contractor with Hensler Construction Corporation, Glendale, Calif.

John K. Bovard is an engineer with the department of water and power, Los Angeles, Calif.

Everton T. Stidham, '18, is with the Pioneer Title & Insurance Company, San Bernardino, Calif.

Robert B. Hogue, '35, is a partner in Hogue & Vernon, manufacturers, Los Angeles, Calif.

James H. Taylor, '32, is employed by the Continental Can Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Evans E. Plummer, '21, is with Ruben and Associates Agency, Hollywood, Calif.

Robert R. Keller, '25, is with the General Petroleum Corporation, Los Angeles, Calif.

James W. Markham, M.D., '40, practices medicine at 1542 Greenfield Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif.

**Rensselaer**

Bernard F. Anderson, '40, is a chemical engineer with the United States Rubber Company in Passaic, N.J.

James E. Bellinger, '48, is a mechanical engineer with the N.A.C.A. at Langley Field, Va.

John Campbell, '49, is a chemical engineer with the American Cyanamide Corporation, Calco Division, in Bound Brook, N.J.

Joseph B. Chamberlain, '33, is technical representative for Cia Saliterra De Tarapaca V Antofagasta of Iquique, Chile, one of the

largest producers of nitrate of soda, with headquarters in New York City.

Henry A. Dye, '47, is an atomic energy commission Fellow in mathematics at the University of Chicago.

John M. Harney, '44, is an electrical contracting assistant with Gorgon L. Hayes, at Troy, N.Y.

Dudley H. Keyes, '47, is a field service engineer with the Sperry Gyroscope Company.

Dana B. Westcott, '39, is paper mill superintendent for the West Virginia Pulp & Paper Company, Mechanicville, N.Y.

Eugene F. Wyszpolski, '45, is a research engineer at the Hydrodynamics Laboratory at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Calif.

**Southern California**

Frank W. Zink, Jr., '43, is a teacher at the University of California Experiment station at El Centro, Calif.

John S. Stonebraker, '40, is coach at Mount San Antonio College, Pomona, Calif.

Myron L. Smull, '32, is principal of the junior high school at Nestor, Calif.

Stanley R. Hopper, '28, is a lecturer at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N.J.

Cedric R. Gerson, '49, is employed by McKesson & Robbins, pharmaceutical manufacturers, Los Angeles, Calif.

John C. Champion, '39, is with Saks Fifth Avenue Stores, Beverly Hills, Calif.

Robert W. MacCormack, '42, is with the American Smelting & Refining Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Albert A. Wright, '49, handles advertising and sales for the *Lakewood News-Times*, Lakewood, Calif.

Raymond N. Gibbs, '47, is sales representative for Studio Girl Shampoo, Hollywood, Calif.

William M. Danziger, '34, is a realtor at Los Angeles, Calif.

Robert P. Burbank, '42, and Raymond T. Kulvicki are employed by the Southern California Edison Company in the Los Angeles area.

Robert C. Johnson, '34, is with Jenkins Publications, Los Angeles, Calif.

Ray Ingle, '46, is with Western Lithograph Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Gordon Craig, '44, is with Booth Newspapers, Inc., Detroit, Mich.

Maurice B. Landers, M.D., '29, practices medicine at Ventura, Calif.

Willis S. Lowder, '36, is with the Converse Pharmacy at El Segundo, Calif.

Morrison C. Hunt, '28, is with Shell Oil Company, Sacramento, Calif.

James W. Lane, '34, is an assistant director for RKO Radio Pictures, Hollywood, Calif.

Wilbur R. Stewart, '27, is a representative for the Dohrmann Hotel Supply Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Ben M. Newcomer, '32, is a representative for the Kitchen Specialty Company, Atlanta, Ga.

John R. Leach, '34, is employed in the Hall of Records, by the County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, Calif.

Loren J. Kling, '31, is proprietor of Kling Baby Furniture, Glendale, Calif.

John D. Lusk, '30, is a contractor and builder at Beverly Hills, Calif.

Bill Waters, '39, sells Dodge and Plymouth automobiles for J. E. Waters Company, Los Angeles, Calif.

Max F. Deutz, '38, is U.S. Attorney at Los Angeles, Calif.

## **Stevens**

Arthur E. Blirer, '35, is secretary of Corporate Associates, Inc., 40 Wall Street, New York, a corporation formed in November, 1949, to negotiate between buyers and sellers of incorporated and nonincorporated businesses. He is also vice-president of Castillia Products, Inc., 230 Grand Street, New York, manufacturers and distributors of a line of tooth soaps, mouth washes, hair tonics, liquid shaves, etc. He is secretary-treasurer of the Stevens Metropolitan Club, 106 West 56th Street, New York, where he resides.

## **Syracuse**

Capt. Robert N. Dick, '37, former executive secretary of the Onondaga County Medical Society and the Syracuse Academy of Medicine, was promoted to the rank of major in the U. S. Army Air Force on December 31, 1949. A veteran of 30 months in Africa, Sicily, and Italy in World War II, he is now chief of the inspection and inventory section at Olmsted Air Force Base, Middletown, Pa.

W. E. Chamberlain is a sales engineer with the Otis Elevator Company, situated at St. Louis, Mo.

## **Temple**

Dr. Neal Bowman, '25, former professor of marketing at his alma mater, is author of a book, *Generally Speaking*, which presents the principles and practices that underlie successful public speaking. It is published by Walther Printing House, Philadelphia.

## **Utah State**

Wilford J. Smeding, Jr., '43, is a representative of the Lion Coal Corporation, situated at Ogden, Utah, covering the Utah, Idaho, and Nevada territory.

Ev. Thorpe, '41, is the illustrator of a recently published book, *The Journey to the Promised Land*, issued by the Deseret News Press.



To rank of Major. Robert N. Dick, Syracuse.

Lt. Col. William J. Gibson, '47, is stationed at Kelly Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tex., where he is serving as Adjutant for MATS.

John Elwin Clay, '42, C.P.A., has built a thriving tax accounting and auditing business in Logan, Utah. He has expanded his contacts to include all of northern Utah and has secured auditing contracts as far south as Milford, in the southwestern section of the state. He has worked with Utah Alpha as its chapter adviser.

Eldon M. Drake, '43, reports from Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, that he is progressing very satisfactorily toward the completion of his doctorate in agriculture. Eldon has met several times with Dr. Clinton E. Peterson, Utah Alpha, '38, who heads agricultural research at the Ames school.

Ferris R. Daniels, '47, is employed by an electrical firm in Ogden, Utah.

K. John Roundy, '36, member of the Alumni Board for Utah Alpha chapter with residence in Salt Lake City, has established his own contracting and realty business in that city. He has helped in getting Utah Beta installed at the University of Utah, along with Paul Soulier, Roden Shumway, and others in the city.

Lynn A. Ward, '50, has undertaken a mission for the Latter Day Saints Church, stationed in the southern states.

Frank H. Lowry, '46, operates his own accounting firm at Glendale, Calif.

David S. Williams, Jr., '47 is with Marvinell Company, Food Distributors, Los Angeles, Calif.

## **Virginia**

Oliver Chalifoux is living at 1914 Ode Street, Arlington, Va., where he is working for the Agriculture Department.



Alumni who have returned to the University of Virginia for graduate training or other advanced work include Terry Rice, Robet Coffman, and William Fowl.

Harry F. Thompson, Jr., '49, is in training with the Boston Insurance Company, at Boston, Mass.

Walkley E. Johnson, '31, is clerk of the Federal District Court for Eastern Virginia with offices in Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News, and Alexandria.

Forrest Wommack, '49, is employed by a real estate firm at Charlottesville, Va.

## V.M.I.

George E. Bushnell, '14, is employed by the state of California, at Santa Monica, Calif.

## Washington

Russell S. Bock, '29, is an accountant with Ernst & Ernst, Los Angeles, Calif.

Andy O. Nordnes, '42, is an accountant with Valley Sewer Service, Inc., North Hollywood, Calif.

William J. Macfayden, '30, is associated with the chamber of commerce, Los Angeles, Calif.

Burton W. Barnes, '34, is co-proprietor of Barnes & Clark Marine Supplies, Long Beach, Calif.

Gerald A. Calhoun, '29, teaches in the Dorsey High School, at Los Angeles, Calif.

Carroll M. Haeske, '24, is associated with the board of education of the city of Los Angeles, Calif.

Lawrence T. Hopkinson, '22, is president, Atlantic Coast Fisheries Company at Boston, Mass.

## Washington & Lee

Carl B. Knight, '26, is editor of the *Post*, Big Stone Gap, Va.

## Washington State

George A. Hardgrove, '42, is a designing engineer on aircraft gas turbines for General Electric Company at Lynn, Mass.

## Worcester

Minott M. Rowe, '24, president of the Worcester Mutual Fire Insurance Company was recently named to the corporation of the Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank. "Min" is also a member of the chapter's Alumni Board.

Willy M. Hebel, '35, is now superintendent of test and assembly of aircraft accessories with the Chandler-Evans-Division of Niles-Bement-Pond in West Hartford, Conn.

J. Edward Guild, '36, has been transferred from Southbridge to the Buffalo plant of American Optical Company. He will be concerned with coordinating the manufacturing of the ophthalmic instrument and scientific instrument divisions.

Perry P. Clark, '36, manages reprint production with the Heritage Press in New York City.

Robert M. Taft, '38, has been transferred from the home office of Factory Insurance Association in Hartford to the Atlanta, Ga., office.

Harold L. Crane, '42, says: "We now have the fancy title of aeronautical research scientist instead of being an aero engineer, but it's the same old job." He continues with the flight research division of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Langley Field, Virginia, where he was recently promoted from the rank of P-4 to that of P-5.

Benjamin B. Barker, Jr., '48, is working on television receiving and test equipment design at the Allen B. DuMont Laboratories plant in East Paterson, N.J.

Frank L. Baumgardner, '48, is with the locomotive car equipment sales organization of General Electric Company at Erie, Pa.

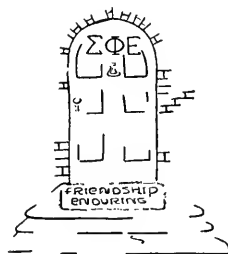
Henry H. Franklin, '34, has formed a partnership for the general practice of law under the firm name of Blodgett and Franklin, Peterborough, N.H.

## William & Mary

Alvan B. Richardson, '22, is an accountant with the CPA firm of Haskins & Sells, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Wisconsin

Robert T. Holtz, '47, is in the purchasing department of the Rohm & Hass Company, Philadelphia, Pa.





Mass. Alpha men serenade chapter brother Al Webster in front of chapter house of Sigma Kappa sorority on U. of Massachusetts campus, while Webster is in process of getting married inside.

## ★ VITAL DATA ★

### **Married**

*"A man should first build a house, then plant a vineyard, and then marry."*

—BABYLONIAN TALMUD

The following marriages of Colorado Gamma members are announced since the last JOURNAL. Such announcements in which neither the date nor place is reported are as a rule not carried in the JOURNAL; however, an exception is made this time because of the unusual number of marriages at one chapter within a brief period. They are as follows: Joe Tobiska and Lois Litty; Kenneth Monfort and Pat McMillan; Jim Pitcher and Arlette Johnson; Robert Sanborn and Geraldine Miller; George Reubel and Eleanor Mason; Charles Delp and Marian Shawver; Craig Sandusky and Vanda Beckhart; Merle Riggs and Jimmy Swift; Bob Hainlen and Devayne Stone; Robert McBride and Merdith Hohannes; Keith Dering and Martha Jane Nelson; Don Theil and Barbara LaRue; Charles Lilley and Kathryn McMath; Emery Davis and Pat Kallminzer; Lloyd Lutz and Margie Dickson; George Whitehead and Greta Von Treffleson; Frank Munroe and Elizabeth Brua.

John A. Abdun-Nur, California Beta, '47, on September 10, 1949, in St. John's Episcopal Church, Los Angeles, Calif.

Donald L. Garber, Colorado Alpha, and Ethel Virginia Davis, on January 14, 1950, at Denver, Colo.

Arthur K. Erickson, Colorado Delta honorary member, and Ruth Louise Reese, on April 1, 1950, at Rosewell, N.M.

Perry Vandegrift, Delaware Alpha, '37, and Marie Anne McGinley, on January 14, 1950, in St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Woodcrest, Wilmington, Del., with chapter brother John Healy, II, '39, as best man.

Don Munger, Delaware Alpha, '48, and

Doris Alberta Evans, on March 11, 1950, in the Richardson Park Methodist Church, Wilmington, Del.

David M. Hendon, Jr., Florida Alpha, '50, and Sarah Frances Chester, on February 5, 1950, in the First Baptist Church, Gainesville, Fla., with Sig Ep Founder Rev. Thomas Vaden McCaul performing the ceremony, chapter brother Terry Lyle as best man, and chapter brothers Leo Winfree and James Peele as ushers.

Robert Willard, Florida Beta, '50, and Luella Wills, daughter of William Wills, III, Georgia Alpha, on December 27, 1949, in St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, De Land, Fla.

Robert B. Adams, Florida Beta, and Anna Louise Frederick, on January 14, 1950, in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Robert Hess, Illinois Delta, and June Barrette, on September 10, 1949, in the Edgebrook Lutheran Church, Chicago, Ill.

Donald Chlupsa, Illinois Delta, and Mary Luke, on October 22, 1949, in St. Mark's Church, Peoria, Ill.

Norville Fenton, Illinois Delta, and Jean Meyers, on December 29, 1949, in St. Mark's Church, Peoria, Ill.

William Donaldson, Illinois Delta, and Carol Joyce Crump, on December 24, 1949, in the Howett Street Christian Church, Peoria, Ill.

Thomas Mulligan, Indiana Alpha, '51, and Patricia Jane Layer, on February 4, 1950, in St. Mary's Church, East Chicago, Ind.

Emory Thomas, Indiana Alpha, '51, and Jacqueline Givens, on February 4, 1950, in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, South Bend, Ind.

Grover E. Smith, Indiana Alpha, '51, and Dorothy Runda, on February 6, 1950, in Lafayette, Ind.

Jack Runyan, Iowa Delta, '50, and Patricia Miles, Alpha Xi Delta, on June 3, 1949, at St. Louis, Mo.

Stuart Ballou, Iowa Delta, '51, and Molley Shillito, Chi Omega, during August, 1949, at Des Moines, Iowa.

Frank Weik, Iowa Delta, '51, and Phyllis Reid, Kappa Alpha Theta, on September 4, 1949, at Des Moines, Iowa.

Robert F. Brown, Iowa Delta, '51, and Blanche Coupe, during August, 1949, at Chicago, Ill.

Bernie Shaulis, Iowa Delta, '51, and Jo Anne Bradley, Delta Gamma, on November 26, 1949, at Clarinda, Iowa.

Ronnie McQuiston, Iowa Delta, '52, and Nadine Smith, July 15, 1949, at Des Moines, Iowa.

Thomas E. Cosgrove, Iowa Delta, '49, former president, and Peggy Anne Wright, Kappa Alpha Theta, on January 28, 1950, at Minneapolis, Minn.

Emil P. Wroblicky, Iowa Delta, '50, and Alice Zachacz, on January 28, 1950, at Chicago, Ill.

Dudley Glen Schulze, Kansas Alpha, '50, and Betty Kolancy, on December 20, 1949, in Danforth Chapel, Lawrence, Kan.

Lauren Edgar, Kansas Beta, '48, and Martha Adee, one time K-State co-ed, on December 18, 1949, at Minneapolis, Minn.

Darrell Cowell, Kansas Beta, '49, a former historian of his chapter, and Marjorie Mitchell, K-State Alpha Delta Pi, on January 31, 1950, at Hutchinson, Kan.

Karl C. Kappelman, Kansas Gamma, and Josephine Ann Hurst, on February 5, 1950, at Topeka, Kan.

Alan V. Dougherty, Kansas Gamma, '49, and Kathryn N. Kubik, K. U. Delta Gamma, on April 13, 1950, in the First Presbyterian Church, Topeka, Kan.

Arthur Catlett, Kansas Gamma, '49, and Jessie Mae Engle, on January 15, 1950, in the First Methodist Church, Overbrook, Kan.

Jack Chaplain, Maine Alpha, and Gloria Tupper, on December 26, 1949, at Camden, Maine.

Raymond Arsenault, Massachusetts Alpha, '51, and Marjorie D. Swift, on January 28, 1950, at St. Brigid Church, Amherst, Mass.

Frank F. Dodge, Massachusetts Beta, '33, and Jean L. O'Brien, of Long Branch, N.J., on September 18, 1948.

Orlando W. Foss, Jr., Massachusetts Beta, '49, and Janet Bridgman, October 8, 1949, at Yalesville, Conn.

Clifton C. Nickerson, Massachusetts Beta, '49, and Catherine I. Sandy, on February 18, 1950, at Shrewsbury, Mass.

James Morrish, Michigan Alpha, and Virginia Purse, during August, 1949, at Ferndale, Mich.

Thomas Boyd, Michigan Alpha, and Jean Yale, July 30, 1949, at Johnson City, N.Y.

Don Tennyson, Michigan Alpha, and Betty Rowland, on July 30, 1949, at Niles, Mich.

Harry Troxell, Michigan Alpha, and Jane Helen Watson, on February 11, 1950, at Detroit.

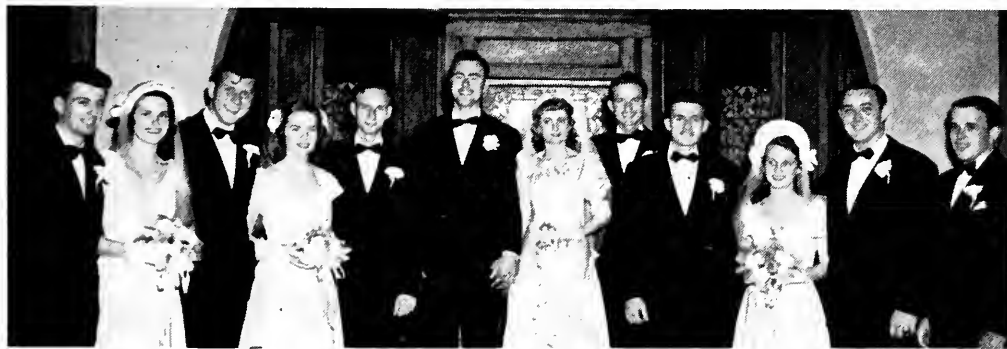
Jack Stephans, Missouri Gamma, '49, and Audrey Van Luik, on April 8, 1950, in the Presbyterian Church, of Webster Groves, St. Louis, Mo.

William Armin Cross, New York Alpha, '50, and Jane Brookfield, Kappa Kappa Gamma, on January 21, 1950, at Mountain Lakes, N.J.

Douglas H. Coon, New York Alpha, '49, and Mary Ann Haylor, Delta Delta Delta, '49, on March 18, 1950, in the First Presbyterian Church, Syracuse, N.Y.

Robert Larsen, New York Gamma, president of his chapter, and Carol Deming Reeve, of Mattituck, N.Y., on January 28, 1950.

William Gardner Morris, New York Delta, '50, and Diane Estelle Rigano, on February 4, 1950, in the St. Thomas's Episcopal Church, Mamaroneck, N.Y., with chapter brothers Charles Reinhardt, Arthur Reinhardt, and Joseph Pape as ushers.



Matrimony at Stetson. Robert Willard weds Luella Wills at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, DeLand, Fla., December 27, 1949. Left to right: Andrew Wills, usher; Ruth Holtz, maid of honor; William P. Towne, groomsman; Virginia Bispham, bridesmaid; Roger L. Meriwether, usher; Robert Willard, groom; Miss Wills; Kyle McCroan, best man; William Wills, III, giver of bride, Georgia Alpha; Mrs. Marshall Lane, matron of honor; Field Secretary Charles H. Pafford, Jr., groomsman; and Marshall Lane, head usher. Groom and cohorts are all Sig Eps.

George Curt Kiessling, New York Delta, '47, and Claire Leah Morris, on December 17, 1949, in St. Patrick's Church, Troy, N.Y.

Warren R. Moucha, New York Delta, '48, and Janet Hoy, on February 11, 1950, in the Church of St. John the Baptist, Yonkers, N.Y.

James Phillip Boger, North Carolina Beta, '49, and Hazel Rosalynd Crenshaw, on October 1, 1949, in the First Methodist Church at Belmont, N.C.

Kay Caldwell Winecoff, North Carolina Delta, '49, and Hilda Johnson, on April 8, 1950, in Hillsboro, N.C.

Dewitt Caston, North Carolina Zeta, '50, and Miriam Johnson, on May 6, 1950, at Raleigh, N.C.

Bill Watson, North Carolina Zeta, '47, and Sara Jane Leath, at Burlington, N.C.

John Mauney, North Carolina Zeta, '49, and Janet Eaton, at Mockville, N.C.

Dick Anson, Ohio Gamma, and Shirley Miller, on March 18, 1950, at Columbus, Ohio.

Kent Backart, Ohio Epsilon, and Jo Mikesell, Chi Omega, on January 1, 1950, at Worthington, Ohio.

Jim Tubbesing, Ohio Epsilon, and Barbara Hutchinson, on March 31, 1950, at Wadsworth, Ohio.

L. E. Moyer, Jr., Oklahoma Alpha, '28, and Mary Kinkad, one-time field director of Camp Fire Girls at San Francisco, Calif., on September 3, 1949, at Amarillo, Tex.

Richard J. Brown, Oklahoma Alpha, and Jerry Ann Sowers, on December 12, 1949, in Christ the King Church, Tulsa, Okla., with Sig Eps Don Calnan, Dan Calnan, Hal Sowers, and John Williams as ushers.

Vernon LeRoy McGinley, Oklahoma Alpha, and Susan Allen, Oklahoma A & M, Alpha Delta Pi, on February 19, 1950, in the Pilgram Congregational Church, Oklahoma City, Okla., with Sig Eps John Gates, Frank Cochran, and Charles Harrison as ushers.

William H. Christopher, Oklahoma Alpha, and Lilly Ann Leder, on February 12, 1950, in the First Methodist Church, Prague, Okla., with blood brother and chapter brother James Christopher as best man.

Wayne Roeckers, Oregon Alpha, and Hallie Sterling, U. of Oregon Alpha Delta Pi, on February 4, 1950, at Eugene, Ore.

John David Chiquoine, Pennsylvania Eta, '50, and Jean Dickson, of Swarthmore, Pa., on February 4, 1950, at Paoli, Pa.

Louis Hal Edison, Utah Alpha, '47, a former president of his chapter, and Alice Nelson, Utah State, Theta Upsilon, on Christmas Day, 1949, at Tooele, Utah.

Albert J. Mathes, Virginia Eta, and Louise Dyer, on January 24, 1950, in the University Chapel, Charlottesville, Va.

Francis Carlton, Virginia Eta, and Sarah Faulkner, on March 4, 1950, in Glebe Road Methodist Church, Arlington, Va.

Sam Pepper, Virginia Eta, and Mary Hamrick, on April 7, 1950, at Bristol, Tenn.

J. G. Seelinger, Virginia Eta, and Elizabeth Sharp, on April 24, 1950.

Max Kiessling, West Virginia Gamma, and Mary Hayes on February 4, 1950, in Saint Joseph Catholic Church, Huntington, W.Va.

John W. McLellan, Wyoming Alpha, '51, and Margene Elaine Johnson, on February 16, 1950, at Laramie, Wyo.

## Born

*"A link between angels and men."*

—TUPPER

To Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Buerger, Jr., Arkansas Alpha, '48, a daughter, Alice Elizabeth, on February 21, 1950, at Lynchburg, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenyon MacDonald, California Beta, '39, a second son, Stephen Gregory, on April 19, 1950, at Los Angeles, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. John W. Wilhoit, Jr., California Beta, '49, a daughter, Pamela Jeanne, on November 18, 1949, in Madigan General Hospital, Tacoma, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin L. Arnold, Jr., California Beta, '48, a daughter, Cheri May, on May 23, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Drager, Colorado Alpha, '51, a son, during December, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence R. Stoecker, Colorado Alpha, '50, a daughter, during December, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. Harry Christopher, Colorado Alpha, '37, a son, Michael Mayer, their third child, on November 3, 1949, at Denver, Colo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard DeForrest McNett, Delaware Alpha, '42, a son, Richard Jr., on December 31, 1949, at Buffalo, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ginn, Delaware



Born. Edward Foss, Missouri, holds his infant daughter, Sandra Jo, aged 3 weeks.

Alpha, '48, a daughter, Sarah Esther, on February 2, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dannenberg, Delaware Alpha, '40, a daughter, name not reported, on December 27, 1950, in the Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, Del.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jerry E. Turner, Florida Beta, '49, a son, Harold Lawson, on January 14, 1950, at Vero Beach, Fla.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O. Vickers, Florida Beta faculty adviser, a daughter, Patricia Leata, on December 5, 1949, at De Land, Fla.

To Mr. and Mrs. Martin J. Liesenfeld, Jr., Iowa Beta, '45, a son, Mark Steven, on December 4, 1949, at St. Louis, Mo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Yungclas, Iowa Beta, a son, Bruce Jr., on December 26, 1949, at Manson, Iowa.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stiles, Jr., Iowa Gamma, '46, a first daughter, Linda Ann, their second child, on October 30, 1949, at Algona, Iowa.

To Lt. and Mrs. John P. Gard, Kansas Beta, '48, a son, Mark; date and place not reported.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eldon D. James, Kansas Beta, a daughter, Sue Ellen, on December 19, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jean T. Fisher, Kansas Gamma, '47, former Sig Ep field secretary and one-time president of his chapter, a daughter, Linda Ann, their first child, on January 20, 1950, at Topeka, Kan.

To Mr. and Mrs. James E. Abell, Kentucky Alpha, '47, a daughter, Julia Jewett, on February 6, 1950, in Our Lady of Mercy Hospital, Owensboro, Ky.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGuire, Kentucky Beta, '49, a second daughter, Karen, on December 16, 1949, in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Miamisburg, Ohio.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Karkos, Maine Alpha, a daughter, in January, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Caraganis, Massachusetts Alpha, '43, a son, Alfred John, on December 29, 1949, at Lewiston, Maine.

To Mr. and Mrs. Philip A. Henning, Massachusetts Beta, '45, a son, Thomas William, their second, on October 27, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Frary, Jr., Massachusetts Beta, '34, a daughter, Ruth Louise, their second child, on January 14, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald A. Brightsen, Michigan Alpha, '47, a daughter, April Lee, their first child, on January 12, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Karl Berggren, Massachusetts Beta, a daughter, Sylvia Dortha, on March 5, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. David H. Stuart, Massachusetts Beta, a daughter, Kathleen Rita, on March 11, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Maier, Missouri Alpha, '48, a son, Roger Hamilton, on December 27, 1949, at Lawrence, Kan., Grandfather

is District Governor W. E. Rogers, Pennsylvania Eta, '16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Phipps, Missouri Delta, a son, Stephen Clell, on February 6, 1950, at Springfield, Mo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bogardus, Montana Alpha, '47, a daughter, Karen, on December 12, 1949, at Turlock, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cyphers, New Jersey Beta, '47, a son, Richard Anton, on February 7, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Anthony C. Chevins, New York Alpha, '48, a daughter, Cheryl, their first child, on February 5, 1950, at New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Basher, New York Gamma, a son, Thomas Thornton, on January 8, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Russo, New York Gamma, a son, Gregory, on December 19, 1949, at New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Ashley, New York Gamma, '46, a daughter, Christine Ann, on January 24, 1950, at Flushing, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Witmer, New York Delta, '51, a daughter, Pamela Jean, on January 26, 1950, at Troy, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Whitten, Jr., New York Delta, '49, a daughter, Linda Leigh, on December 30, 1949, in Corning, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Avery, New York Delta, '45, a daughter, Susan Margaret, on December 10, 1949, at Lima, Ohio.

To Mr. and Mrs. James E. Bellinger, New York Delta, '47, a son, James Erwin, III, on December 23, 1949, in Hampton, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Linville, North Carolina Delta, '49, a son, Richard Hine, on February 15, 1950, at Winston-Salem, N.C.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gordon P. Cherry, North Carolina Zeta, a son, Gordon, Jr., on February 17, 1950, at Raleigh, N.C.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gallimore, North Carolina Zeta, a second son, Gary Schreiner, on February 8, 1950.

To Mr. and Mrs. Royce G. Nicholas, Ohio Alpha, a daughter, Marcia Irene, on December 29, 1949, in Memorial Hospital, Lima, Ohio.

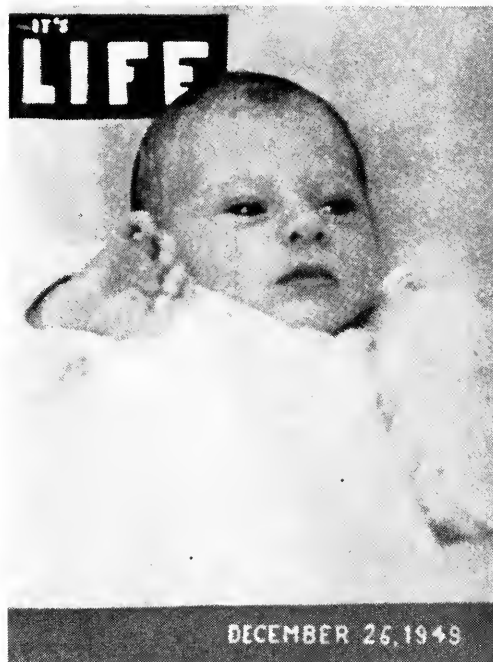
To Mr. and Mrs. John Gates, Oklahoma Alpha, '49, a son, Steven Lee Gates, on January 23, 1950, at Enid, Okla.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Blazejewski, Pennsylvania Delta, '48, a daughter, Bernice, on December 26, 1949, at Wyandotte, Mich. (*see cut.*)

To Mr. and Mrs. William J. Scheible, Pennsylvania Kappa, '48, a daughter, Lynn Bruce, on October 11, 1949, at Waynesboro, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Chambers, Texas Alpha, '42, a second son, Regan Scott, on February 19, 1950, at San Antonio, Tex.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Shaw, Jr., Utah Alpha, '46, a daughter, Martha Frances, their second child, at Tallahassee, Fla.; date not reported.



Born. To Penn Deltan Stan Blazejewski.

To Mr. and Mrs. Everett Thorpe, Utah Alpha, '41, a son, on November 26, 1949, at Ogden, Utah.

To Mr. and Mrs. William A. Small, Vermont Alpha, '42, a son, on New Year's Day, 1950, in the Richardson House, Boston, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Knight, Virginia Epsilon, '26, a second daughter, their third child, Katherine Sherrill, on January 19, 1950, at Big Stone Gap, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Andres, West Virginia Delta, a son, Robert Scott, on February 11, 1950.

To JOURNAL editor and Mrs. John Robson, Wisconsin Alpha, '28, a second daughter, Jacqueline Peg, on April 22, 1950, in St. Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Mo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Franklin Norris, Wyoming Alpha, '50, a daughter, Debora Ann, on December 18, 1949, at Laramie, Wyo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Riggins, Wyoming Alpha, '50, a daughter, their second child, at Torrington, Wyo.

## Died

*"Death is a stage in human progress."*

—SEARS

Frederick David Zimmerman, Colorado Alpha, '18, on November 10, 1949, at Beverly Hills, Calif.

Charles A. Mitchell, Colorado Beta, '24, on December 18, 1949, at Vero Beach, Fla.

Paul A. Olson, Colorado Beta, '48, during January, 1950, at Denver, Colo.

Robert L. Hodapp, Colorado Delta, '48, metallurgist in the propeller division of Curtiss Wright Corporation, Caldwell, N.J.; on August 24, 1949; of a heart attack.

Carl Martin Snarr, Florida Alpha, '41, Gainesville, Fla., attorney and veteran of World War II, on February 9, 1950; by his own hand.

James L. Hamilton, Kentucky Alpha, '51; no fact reported other than his death.

Harry Scott, Michigan Alpha; in an automobile accident on December 23, 1949, at St. Paul, Minn.

E. Q. Swan, Michigan Alpha, '13, member of the Huntington, W.Va., alumni association; on February 14, 1950.

Hiram Clifton Doolin, Missouri Alpha, '18, during June, 1949, at Albany, N.Y., following an operation.

Charles Hutchinson, Minnesota Alpha, '29, American consul and first secretary of the embassy at Seoul, Korea, a 20-year veteran of the U. S. foreign service, having had assignments in Windsor, Ontario, and Japan, Australia, and Cuba; on March 9, 1950, in the Tokyo General Hospital, Tokyo, Japan, from uremic poisoning.

Jack Driscoll, Montana Alpha, '26, president of the Save On Drug Company of Missoula and Kalispell, Mont., one time athletic great for his alma mater and a former shortstop for the Kansas City Blues in the American Association; during February, 1950, in the hospital at Missoula.

Harold Stillman, New Hampshire Alpha, '17, during March, 1950; no other facts reported.

Jay Earle Thomson, New York Alpha, one time track star at his alma mater; teacher, coach, and principal in New York and New Jersey high schools; professor at New York University from 1938 to 1942; travel lecturer to service clubs, schools, women's clubs, and educational conventions; also writer of many textbooks; on February 3, 1950, in Los Angeles, Calif.

Aubrey B. Waddell, North Carolina Beta, '19, on December 6, 1949.

Arthur L. Sperry, Ohio Gamma, '08, cost accountant with Warner & Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio; on November 16, 1949, while on a visit to Cheyenne, Wyo.

Orin S. Thompson, Pennsylvania Delta, on December 14, 1949.

Victor L. Chiquoine, Pennsylvania Delta, '18, on December 6, 1949.

George A. Sisson, Pennsylvania Epsilon, '05, on July 7, 1949, in Honolulu, Hawaii; of a heart ailment.

Francis P. Boyer, Pennsylvania Iota, '42, on January 24, 1948.

William D. Baldwin, Pennsylvania Theta, '26, on October 17, 1949.

John Howard White, Vermont Beta, a founder of his chapter, on January 25, 1950,



MRS. IDA ALLENDER, Iowa Alpha housemother for ten years during and prior to World War II, passed to her reward on Wednesday, March 8, 1950. Mother Allender had been suffering from a lingering illness for quite some time. She was born on a farm just north of Mt. Pleasant on April 4, 1873. Previous to her becoming housemother she and her husband had operated a restaurant here in Mt. Pleasant. —WILLIAM ERICKSON

## Tributes to Pafford

*The following tribute to Charles H. Pafford, Jr., who died on March 7, 1950, was written by Grand President Charles S. Thompson:*

The funeral of our brother and faithful Traveling Secretary, Charles H. Pafford, Jr., which occurred at Daytona, Fla., on Monday, March 13, 1950, was marked by an outpouring of Fraternity fealty that was heartening to all, and graphically expressed the sincere affection and esteem in which "Chuck" or "Charlie" as he was, variously, known, was held, not only on the campuses and in the chapters, where he had been an undergraduate student but throughout the whole of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

The services took place in the beautiful and commodious Chapel of Baggett-McIntosh, a leading firm of morticians there, and were presided over by Rev. Lee Nichols and his Assistant, Rev. Hal Marchman, Jr., of the First Baptist Church of Daytona Beach, who were assisted by Rev. W. O. Luttrell, of the First Methodist Church. In his remarks, Rev. Lee Nichols said that Charlie had a true Christian experience which had become a real part of his life, and that in a letter, received by him from Charlie on the Saturday before his death, Charlie had written him that he was being more and more impressed that the spiritual things in life were the really important things, and that he hoped, as he visited the various chapters of his Fraternity, that he could bring that message to the members thereof in such a way they would come into an actual realization of the truth thereof.

The setting for the services was vibrant with youthful college and fraternity life. Delegations came from our Florida Alpha Chapter, at the University of Florida, Gainesville, and from our Florida Beta Chapter, at Stetson University, De Land, as well as representatives from each of the other fraternities on those campuses; from our Miami Alumni Chapter; and brothers from other places. The Grand Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon was represented there by Grand President Charles S. Thompson, Assistant to the Grand Secretary Frank J. Ruck, Jr., and by Grand Chaplain Rev. Dr. Thomas V. McCaul, of Gainesville, Fla., who, though unable to be present due to the illness of Mrs. McCaul, conducted a Memorial Service, at the same time, at our Florida Alpha chapter house, while Governor William E. Rogers, of District XIII, with whom Charlie had traveled throughout that district last fall, made a strenuous effort to get to the funeral, but was unable to reach Daytona until the day following,

in Schenectady, N.Y.; of a heart attack.

Frank C. Wiley, Virginia Gamma (Roanoke College); no fact reported other than his death.

Edward N. Atkinson, Virginia Epsilon, '12, president and general manager of Ed Atkinson Lumber Company, Asheville, N.C., and longtime civic leader of that city, deacon of the First Presbyterian Church, member of the City Planning and Zoning Commission; during February, 1950, at Atkinson, of a heart attack.

Gale B. Frank, Washington Alpha, '45, on November 1, 1949.

Daniel F. Krueger, Wisconsin Beta, '48; no fact reported other than his death.

## Resigned

Willis H. Schwartz, Missouri Beta, '51, on October 1, 1949.

Stanley Lienhop, Missouri Beta, '51, on October 1, 1949.

Robert T. Aulgur, Missouri Beta, '50, on October 1, 1949.

Harry L. Baldwin, New Mexico Alpha, '53, on November 16, 1949.

Richard V. Staley, Ohio Eta, '50, on December 7, 1949.

Eugene R. Price, Ohio Eta, '50, on December 7, 1949.

## Expelled

Robert H. Shahan, Vermont Beta, '49, on November 15, 1948.

William J. McNamara, Vermont Beta, '50, on November 15, 1948.

John V. Corbisiero, Vermont Beta, '50, on November 15, 1948.

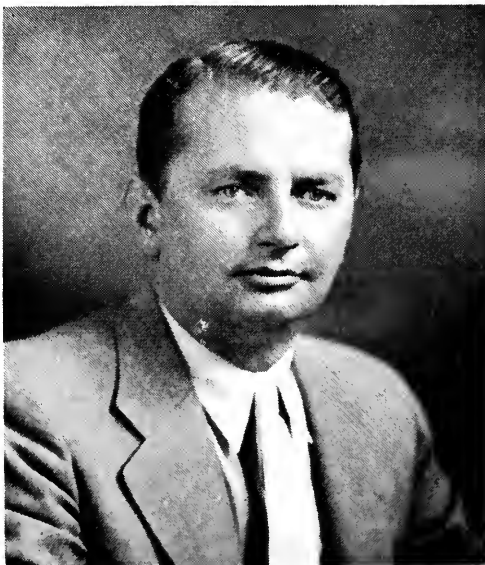
Thomas B. Keen, Jr., California Gamma, '51, on December 8, 1949.

Roger L. Rosback, Illinois Beta, '51, on October 24, 1949.

Thomas A. Borgese, New York Gamma, '50, on January 6, 1950.

William A. Cowburn, North Carolina Delta, '51, on January 7, 1950.

William F. Thomas, Tennessee Beta, '50, on January 17, 1950.



Died. Charles A. Hutchinson, Minnesota.



Charles Pafford, Jr., when he was president at Stetson, receiving charter from Bailey.

yet remained there to express his sympathies and regrets to Charlie's parents, later, when they returned to their home.

The Chapel was banked, from side to side with flowers, preeminent among them being the "Sacred Heart of Sigma Phi Epsilon," in American Beauty Roses, high on the wall behind the pulpit; the family's beautiful floral blanket, on which, in a white floral background, appeared in beautiful red flowers the name "Bubba," the childhood petname by which Charlie was known in his home and by his intimates throughout his school days in Daytona Beach; and in front was the Cross, in beautiful white flowers, with two orchids where the Body of our Saviour usually rests—the tribute of Charlie's co-workers in the office of the Grand Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, at Richmond. In the ante-room to the chapel were beautiful and impressive wreaths from Charlie's home chapters, Florida Alpha and Florida Beta, and other beautiful floral tributes from those who loved and esteemed Charlie.

In the throng of mourners, which Rev. Lee Nichols stated in his address exceeded in number any he had seen at Services in a similar Chapel in his nine years pastorate in Daytona Beach, youth were predominant, the officers and delegates of Charlie's two home chapters, the representatives of all other fraternities on those campuses, his student friends, and his home town boy friends, who shared with the officers of the Grand Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon the first rows of seats. And one was deeply impressed with the brotherly love and sympathy of all, as represented by the gathering, and by the loving tributes to Charlie, coming from all parts of our country. As Rev. Lee Nichols so well said: "And they gathered from the North and the South, the East and the West, and sat with Abraham."

One could not help but feel the depth and power of the love of a great body of youth, throughout the nation, at that moment, with their minds and thoughts turned there "to sit with Abraham" in deep appreciation for a brother who had done so much, in his friendliness, in his great creative and constructive abilities, and in his love, for his fellow students in the college world.

*Allen A. Monigal, president of the Wisconsin chapter, contributes this fine tribute to Brother Pafford:*

It's usual for the men in the chapter to inquire when the next field secretary is going to visit the chapter. They are anxious to know how the men at the other schools are doing and how the overall picture from the national presents itself. But most of all they wonder about what kind of a man the

field secretary will be.

This visit by a headquarters representative was one I really looked forward to. Alumni reorganization, new house problems, affiliation difficulties, and other problems familiar to most chapters weighed us down at the moment, and this guy Charlie Pafford would have to know a few of the answers.

Charlie not only knew the answers; he also must have had Sig Ep branded on his heart.

Friday, March 3, as had been expected, Charlie came to Wisconsin Beta to spend his scheduled weekend. He started out by giving the boys who had transferred from Carroll firsthand information on how Wisconsin Gamma was doing. Everyone immediately felt at ease when we first talked with him.

To us in Madison he had a mile-long southern drawl that fit perfectly into his stable character. Shaking hands with him was like meeting a buddy you hadn't seen since basic training. You couldn't help but feel that you'd known the guy all your life.

During our brief friendship I learned that Charlie was born in 1927. Where didn't make much difference but Florida is the only place to live, according to Charlie.

Florida is a land of eternal sunshine. It's a place where boats from Louisiana fish offshore and take home the best shrimp in the world and call it "Louisiana shrimp." Florida is the best place in the world to raise beef cattle because they can graze off the grass all year 'round. Florida is the best place in the world because they don't have changeable Yankee weather down there.

Florida is the place to make your home; to settle down and enjoy that sunshine and raise those beef cattle. Charlie loved Florida; he had it in the soles of the boots he wore.

Charlie had a level head on his shoulders. He was the kind of a guy you could sit and talk with for hours because his words always said something.

If the number of friends he made here is any indication of the rest of his life, he wasn't merely a success, he was to me a fraternal inspiration.

The best and fastest way to Minneapolis from Madison is by air. How I wish I could have proven otherwise when he said, "I might as well fly there." The area here was socked in, so the Northwest flight was grounded until 7:00 P.M., but it got off. How that ship crashed made headlines from coast to coast.

The history of Charlie Pafford's work will be well written in the fraternity of Sigma Phi Epsilon. He has turned hopes and doubts of many men into firm convictions.

If success in life is measured partially by the respect a man gains of his fellow man, Charlie Pafford obtained success. All of us would aid our brothers, but how many would give his life for their aid?

All the rest of my life I'll remember the success and inspirations of a 23-year-old brother named Charles Herbert Pafford, Jr.

*The following tribute to Brother Pafford was written by his Stetson chapter brother, Roy R. Unkefer:*

It was with heavy hearts and saddened spirits that the brothers of Florida Beta attended the funeral of their beloved brother and former president, Charles Pafford, who was killed in a plane crash in March. As a tribute to the memory of Charlie, our chapter is placing on campus a CHARLES H. PAFFORD, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD which will consist of a large gold loving cup, on which will be engraved each recipient's name, and an individual gold key to be kept by the recipient. This award will be presented each year to the most outstanding male student on campus, who will be chosen by a special committee composed of faculty members and students. Not only will this memorial trophy serve to keep the memory of our brother foremost in the minds of the students, but also to encourage the men on campus to strive to attain the high qualities of honor, scholarship, and leadership possessed by him for whom it is named.

★ ★ *Friendly love perfecteth mankind.—*  
Francis Bacon

# Good of the Order

## ★ THE CENTRAL OFFICE MOVES AND MECHANIZES ★

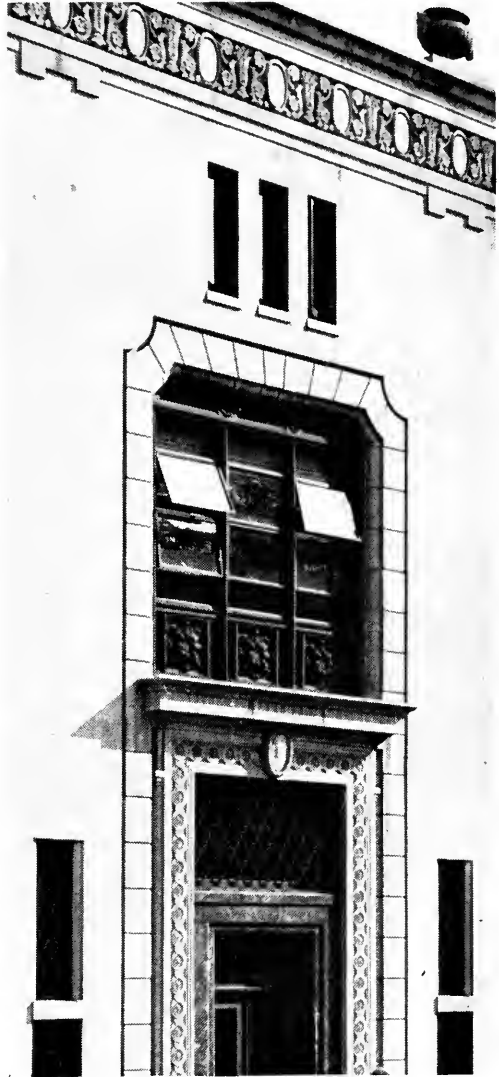
By **RAYMOND C. McCRON**, Assistant to the Grand Secretary

**A**PRIL 11 was M-Day for the Central Office. On that date we moved from our old location at 1900 West Broad Street to 15 North Sixth Street in Richmond. At the old office we had approximately 1,000 square feet of floor space while the new office is approximately 2,000 square feet with about 60 square feet of storage space. The additional room is certainly welcomed, not only because it will give us the opportunity to set up an office which will be more pleasing to the eye of a visitor, but also because it will allow us to install many modern types of office equipment and machinery for which there was not room enough at the old location.

15 North Sixth Street is a three-story building and is very similar in appearance to a small bank building. The Richmond Chamber of Commerce occupies the first floor, we have the second floor, and on the top floor is the Retail Coal Merchants Association. Being in a building where all the tenants are "service" organizations is a distinct advantage to us, since public traffic is at a minimum and since we all have a common interest in keeping the building in a very presentable condition at all times.

Geographically, we are located in the downtown business section of Richmond close to banks, post office, hotels, and transportation facilities. All types of delivery service and especially mail service will be much more rapid, which will allow us to give our chapters a quicker response to their letters and requests. Also, we are within one-half block of the John Marshall Hotel which will be the Headquarters for the 1951 Conclave.

The floor plan of the new office is ideal for our purposes. In the front of the building there is a large room which will comfortably hold all of our current files, as well as desks for at least four secretaries and stenographers. At the front of this room we have petitioned off a private office which will be used by Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr. At the back of this main room we have also petitioned off another private office which will be used by Raymond C. McCron, Assistant to the Grand Secretary, who is the office manager and accountant. Further back in the building, and behind these front offices, are two more quite large rooms. One of these has been set up to hold all of our addressograph equipment and will also serve as a storeroom and mailing room. The other room contains the desks of the field



New Central Office quarters occupy 2nd floor.

secretaries, that of Frank J. Ruck, Jr., Assistant to the Grand Secretary, and, although he has retired, a desk for Uncle Billy Phillips, Grand Secretary Emeritus. There are two elevators in the building; one is for passengers and one is for freight.

The new office is completely modern in appearance, with venetian blinds and fluorescent lighting. The walls are painted with a soft

pastel eye-ease green, and the floor is black asphalt tile marbled with white and green.

We have for some time been gradually modernizing our office equipment. Recent purchases include electric typewriters for all of the secretaries, as well as an electric mimeograph machine. The former have greatly speeded up the work in the office, through their ease and rapidity of operation as well as their capacity for making many more clear copies than were possible with our old manual machines. The new mimeograph machine will print sheets at the rate of almost 100 per minute, and produces work which is much more neat in appearance and much more legible. In addition, we have purchased three. Audiograph dictating machines, which have again helped to expedite work in the office. These machines are more versatile than the usual machine of this type, in that they may be used either for dictating or by the secretaries for transcribing.

In the addressograph department a new graphotype and a new printing machine have been purchased. The graphotype machine is much more rapid and will allow the cutting of two addressograph plates at one time. This is of great value to us since for each new member and for each change of address, we must make two plates, one for the geographic file and one for the alphabetic file. The new printing machine is also much faster in operation, and will, for instance, run the mailing list for the JOURNAL in less than one day, whereas the old machine required about three days for this job.

The Grand Chapter bookkeeping system has been streamlined so that all of the financial

records of the Fraternity are now kept on Remington Rand Kardex cards, thus eliminating the many bulky ledger books previously kept. A new electric adding machine has been purchased which will add, subtract, and multiply at great speed. Many cumbersome financial books and records have been eliminated or combined and set up in modern bookkeeping cabinets and equipment, so that work on these records can be done much easier and quicker and desired information is always at the fingertips of the office staff.

Our modernization program is not completed, and probably never will be, for it is our intention to add continually any methods or machines which will in any way speed up the routine work of the office, and thus allow us to give continually better service to our chapters and members. Through contacts, such as business equipment and methods salesmen, visits to other offices both Fraternity and commercial, and attendance at meetings of the National Office Managers Association and business equipment exhibits, we are keeping constantly abreast of all new developments in office practices.

We have always believed in, and will continue to adhere to, the principle that the Central Office exists for the chapters, and not vice versa. Our duty is to keep an office which will rank equally or above the offices of the other national fraternities, and also to maintain an office which will give the maximum service possible to our chapters and members. We feel that in our new offices we can more easily and adequately fulfill these obligations.



## THE DISTRICT SYSTEM



### ***Regrouping of Districts***

In view of the recent expansion in the South, the Executive Committee has decided that it would be of advantage to change the district boundaries of several of the districts in the South.

Effective immediately, all of the Florida Chapters, including Florida Epsilon installed at Florida State University on May 6, will become District XII.

District Governor for this district is F. R. Hocker, Virginia Epsilon, '09. He may be reached at 1222 East 5th Street, Ocala, Fla.

The other districts in the South have been rezoned as follows:

*District VI:* Alabama Alpha, Alabama Beta, and Georgia Alpha.

*District VII:* Mississippi Alpha, Mississippi Beta, and Tennessee Beta.

*District VIII:* Kentucky Alpha, Kentucky Beta, and Tennessee Alpha.

The changes concerning Districts VI, VII, and VIII became effective on June 1.

### ***New District VI Chief***

P. Bruce Nations, Mississippi Beta, '38, who succeeds Jackson G. Fields, Alabama Alpha, '42, as governor of District VI, describes himself as a six-foot-four country boy who learned to love his Fraternity from the ground up. His appointment became effective in March.

As president of the local, Sigma Phi, at Mississippi State, Bruce laid the groundwork for a petition and is hence known as the father of the chapter. He worked closely with Field Secretaries Burkholder, Wilkins, and Mason, and with Uncle Billy Phillips himself. His work here, in fact, so impressed the latter that he was sent to the University of Alabama for the 1939-40 session to help the chapter there.

Bruce is today a resident of Atlanta, Ga., where he is office manager for Wagstaff Motor Company and the new president of the Atlanta Alumni Chapter. He is also president of the Atlanta chapter of the Mississippi State College Alumni Association for 1950.

He is an impressive speaker and represented

his college in debate for two years, being delegate both to the Southern Student Conference and the National Student Assembly. He was also in glee club, international relations club, and the Y.M.C.A. cabinet.

Born on a cotton farm near Hazlehurst, Miss., in 1914, Bruce holds to a genuine grass-roots philosophy for his fraternity work, feeling that fraternities serve to foster the natural urges of men in their seeking a life of dignity above the average standards in which all can get along.

His district encompasses the chapters at Auburn, Florida, Stetson, Florida Southern, Miami, and Georgia Tech.

The new Governor of District VI lives with his wife and four-year-old daughter at 13 Peachtree Place in Atlanta.

### ***Panther Follows Barnes***

Richard Ruh Panther, Kentucky Beta, '39, has been appointed governor of District VIII, succeeding C. Haynes Barnes, Tennessee Alpha, resigned. This district embraces the active chapters at Kentucky, Louisville, Tennessee, Memphis State, as well as the Louisville, Knoxville, Memphis, and Middle Tennessee Alumni Chapters. The appointment became effective in March.

Although Dick Panther did not become a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon until May 17, 1947, when the chapter was installed at the University of Louisville, he was a leader and hard worker in the local group which became Sig Ep, having served as secretary and finally for two years as president. He also served for two years as president of the Louisville Alumni Chapter, which he represented as a conscientious delegate at the 1949 Conclave in Chicago; and he was a key figure in the recent District VIII convention.

As an undergraduate, Dick was president of the IFC, and president of the L Club. For three years he played varsity basketball and tennis and was captain of both teams. He was also president of Cardinals, secret leadership group on campus, which was subsequently inducted as a chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa.

Dick is unmarried and lives at 2117 Speed Avenue, Louisville. He is a sales representative for Remington Rand, Inc. A brother Robert is also a Sig Ep at Louisville, with the class of '50. He also was a delegate to the Chicago Conclave.

### ***Other District Notes***

F. R. Hocker, Washington and Lee, '09, governor of new District XX, embracing the five Florida chapters, will be introduced in the next issue.

Another gubernatorial change is the resignation of H. Denton Kriebel as chief of District

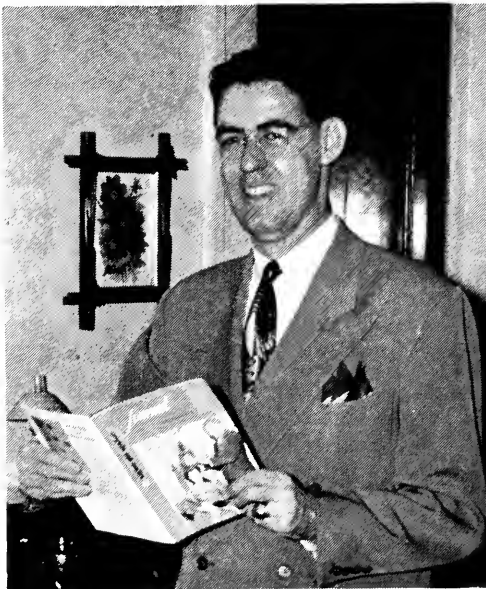


New District Governor Richard Panther.

III and the appointment of his successor—J. Bedford Wooley, Penn, '16. Through the years Brother Wooley has worked devotedly for his chapter at Penn and also represented the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter at the last Conclave.

News is awaited of the early recovery of the Governor of District XIII—W. E. Rogers—who has been ill in Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

Reports of the conventions of various districts held this spring are still being received and will appear in the next issue.



New District Governor P. Bruce Nations.



New York Gamma Robert Connors, with pipe, and Grand Marshal Robert Kelly in a scene from the chapter's movie—"Rushing: Source of Manpower." Behind camera, from left: Robert E. Larsen, producer; George E. Wolf, director, and James Dimond, assistant producer. Chapters interested in making use of this pledge-training film should write New York Gamma Film Library, 141 West Fourth Street, New York. Chapter voted Kelly its most helpful alumnus.

★ **FOR YOUR SUMMER RUSHING PROGRAM** ★

By **FRANK J. RUCK, JR.**, Michigan Alpha

ASSISTANT TO THE GRAND SECRETARY

**O**N MOST all campuses summer rushing is playing an increasingly important role. It is difficult for the active chapters of today to realize how keen competition can become in this field. Many of the alumni from the '30s can tell us how vital a sound, well-run, effective summer rushing program is to continuing success. You can achieve real success if you establish a good summer rushing program.

In your school you may have hundreds, or even thousands, of freshmen to choose from this coming fall. If you can break down these numbers into a smaller list of men you know meet your chapter's requirements, rushing will be much easier and much more effective. This is what a good summer rushing program can accomplish for your chapter. It is the smart chapter that does a good job of rushing on a comparatively small number of men that they know meet their standards instead of a haphazard job or rushing on a larger and unclassified group.

Now is the time to set up such a program. It is most difficult, and in some cases impossible, to get an effective program underway after the school year is over. ORGANIZE NOW from start to finish and you will be amazed how smooth your chapter will operate this summer. If the whole membership thoroughly understands what is expected of them, how to keep

in contact with the Summer Rush Chairman, and how they are to perform their duties before the end of the school year everyone is bound to do a better job.

1. SUMMER RUSHING CHAIRMAN should be carefully considered. He must be reliable; he must be consistent and prompt; and it is desirable that he be centrally located (a summer school student in many cases works exceptionally well). After you have your man picked, surround him with a good committee to work with while still in school this spring to carry out the steps below.

2. WHO IS TO DO THE RUSHING? Break down your actives, pledges, and, if possible, alumni geographically, setting up Rush Captains for each major area. In other words, know where your chapter has men that can rush. Rush Captains should be as carefully selected as your Summer Rushing Chairman.

3. EMPHASIS IN RUSHING is important. Carefully survey your present membership to see if special emphasis should be placed on the kind of men you want next fall. Is your chapter low in scholarship? Then your emphasis should be on good potential students. Is your chapter weak in athletics? Maybe your stress should be here. Whatever, if any, your emphasis may be, the men doing the rushing this summer should be fully informed.

4. **RUSHING LISTS.** It is important to gather the names of all rushees as soon as possible. In many schools the registrar's office will provide the list of incoming freshmen for next fall. Every chapter should send a newsletter to alumni asking for names of prospective students. As soon as this list is fairly complete break it down geographically to correspond to the geographical breakdown of your chapter's membership. The Summer Rushing Chairman should add to this list all through the summer keeping the Rush Captains informed.

5. **A SYSTEM OF COMMUNICATION** between the Summer Rushing Chairman and the men doing the contacting should be planned. A form mimeographed postal card seems to work most satisfactorily in many chapters. This card should be prepared while school is in session this spring. During the summer the Rushing Chairman should use these cards to keep in contact with the Rush Captains in each major geographical area. The Rush Captain, in turn, must use a similar system to keep in touch with the men in his area.

6. **RUSHING LETTERS** direct from the Summer Rushing Chairman to the rushee are very helpful. The number of such letters and their form should be decided upon, written, and, if possible, mimeographed or printed and put

in envelopes ready to mail. This summer the rushing chairman need only address the envelopes. Be sure to include in these letters a copy of the rushing booklet, Sigma Phi Epsilon, A Brief Introduction, which can be obtained through the Central Office, 1900 West Broad Street, Richmond 20, Virginia, at cost, \$2.50 per hundred in one hundred lots or multiples thereof.

7. **RUSHING PARTIES** should be planned in a general way leaving the details to the Rush Captains for each major geographical area.

8. After you have worked out your program, using the above seven steps as a guide, explain in detail just what is expected of every man in the chapter. Have the Rush Captains meet with the men in their area and discuss plans for the summer activities. Above all, emphasize personal contact on the part of each active and pledge for this is the key to effective summer rushing, as indeed, it is to any type of rushing.

By and large it is up to the president of the chapter to follow through. If it is not against local campus or Interfraternity Council rulings, and your chapter hasn't as yet an effective summer program it is time to start!! Think about this important program right now. Start the wheels of the organization moving toward this goal, *An Effective Summer Rushing Program!*

## ★ THE NEED FOR MORE FRATERNITY CHAPTERS ★

By **ROBERT L. RYAN, California Alpha, '25, former Grand President**

*Excerpts from the Conclave panel discussion on "Expansion"*

Since the close of World War II we have seen a tremendous growth in universities and colleges. Part of this growth has been caused by the availability of funds under the Veterans Act and for a short time some schools felt that this enrollment increase would taper off as men eligible under the GI Bill finished their courses. Lately, college administrators have been almost unanimous in their views of the future, and there seems to be a very small chance of an over-all drop in enrollments. Many states are making plans for increased facilities in state schools, and most private schools have similar plans.

We have seen an enlarged university plan adopted by the State of New York. Texas is expanding the state-supported schools. We see Michigan State College growing to a point where it rivals the University of Michigan in student enrollment. The State of California is looking forward to a student body in Berkeley and Los Angeles of 20,000 students on each campus; and, in addition to plans to develop Santa Barbara College for 8,000 students, a new liberal arts college is under construction at Riverside to be as large as Santa Barbara. The University of Arizona has been unable to accept

all of its applicants for enrollment, and this story is repeated all over the nation.

With the growth of colleges again we find the challenge that there are not enough fraternities to meet the requirements of men students. In this connection it must be remembered that many of the complaints against the fraternity system come from the fact that at many schools there are not enough fraternities.

We feel we have a good fraternity, and much of our thinking in the last nine years has made us feel that we should make it possible for men who meet our standards to have a chance for membership. To this degree we have today many large chapters which cannot from a physical basis or from a fraternal basis expand their groups; therefore, any increased availability for chapter membership must come from new chapter installations.

Surveys conducted by the National Interfraternity Conference have produced lists of schools where the administration has stated that there is a need for additional fraternity chapters and this information has been made available to all fraternities. In addition, there are local organizations now in existence which are seeking affiliation with a national.



# That's about Everything

■ **TRADITION NOTE.** Massachusetts historian William Starkweather reports that red suspenders are the campus password and identification of the Massachusetts Sig Eps and are known as such throughout the entire Connecticut valley. Worn by all brothers to all campus functions, he says that they not only serve notice to all those present that the Sig Eps are in there pitching but also that they will probably never be caught with their pants down.

Incidentally, the Mass. Alpha house is another of the Sig Ep houses having a red door.

■ Fifty years of progress of Sigma Phi Epsilon will be celebrated at Richmond in September of 1951, when the Fraternity's "Golden Anniversary Conclave" will bring delegates from more than 100 college chapters—and many alumni groups—to Richmond for a three- or four-day stay.

Thus *SPidEr SPiEl* newspaper of the Richmond University chapter, announces an event

which, though still more than a year off, is already being eagerly anticipated.

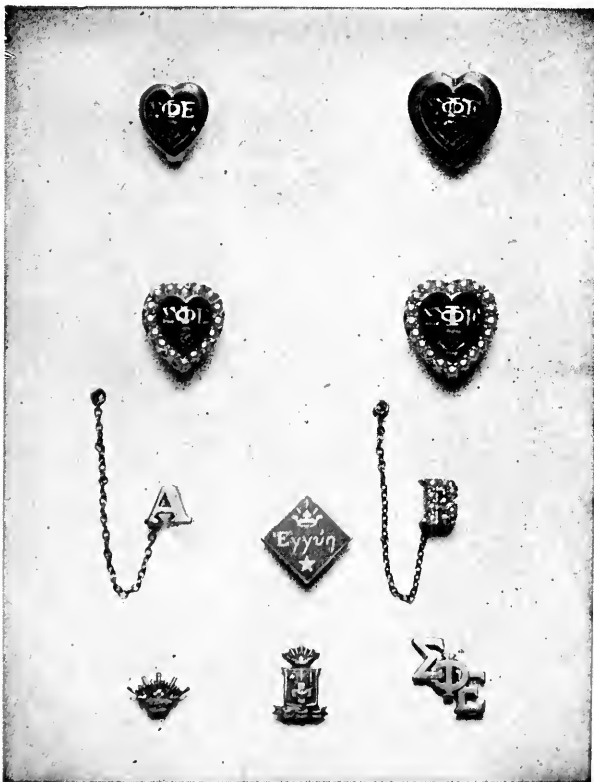
Hosts for the Conclave, officially, will be the Richmond Alumni Chapter, but Virginia Alpha, Eta, and Zeta will also play a considerable part in the plans.

Official headquarters will be the Hotel John Marshall, where the large, air-conditioned Virginia Room will be available. Tentative dates are September 4, 5, and 6, and possibly 7.

■ Many of the alumni briefs appearing in this issue were obtained from the *Alumni Directory and Business Guide* of the Los Angeles Sig Eps, for which we acknowledge a debt of gratitude to Bob Reis and his assistants at the Cal Beta house who produced this remarkable directory.

A special palm for meritorious reporting is bestowed upon Delaware Alpha historian Roger D. Browning, who, upon reading in the JOURNAL copy-call that news of special interest

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to alumni was desired, spent a great deal of time in assembling news of the Delaware chapter's alumni.

■ One of our chapters has launched a new club since the last JOURNAL. Although it is the first one of its kind ever to be reported, there may be others. At any rate, the idea appears sure to spread. The abbreviation of this club, which came into being on the campus of Illinois Tech in Chicago, is O.H.O.A.L.W.F.H.C. These assembled letters stand for One Heck of a Long Way From Home Club.

Members as of the end of February were Theodore Rigas of Athens, Greece, and Carlos Hidalgo of Buenos Aires, Argentina. As these names were reported, Robert Kelsoe, of Rose-dale, Calif., was petitioning earnestly for membership.

■ A piece of information derived from the recent Reader Survey is that a great many readers feel that the JOURNAL should sell more space to advertisers to augment revenue. "Why not throw the back page open for cigarette advertising to the highest bidder?" questions a reader in San Diego.

The truth is that advertisers regard the Greek-letter publications as not very likely places to spend their dollars when there are so many other media bidding for those dollars. For many years Fraternity Magazines Associated, of which the JOURNAL is a member, has kept up a constant campaign to solicit advertisers, with relatively little success. Stewart Howe, a Kappa Sigma and a great fraternity devotee who is the proprietor of this venture, has never lost his great faith in it and never misses the opportunity to tell the men of Fraternity Row to contribute better material to their magazines and prepare it more skillfully, so that all these publications will command the greater respect of the reader first and thus of the advertiser.

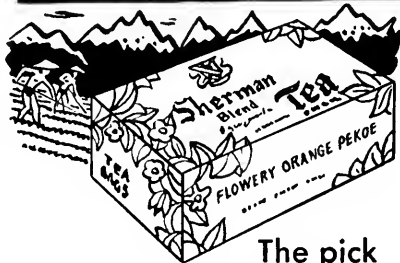
In other words, the time is not yet, but there is hope. So, by all means, let's keep trying. The harder you fellows on Fraternity Row will try, the harder your editor will try to give the material the most appealing magazine presentation.

We've got to serve our members the way they ask to be served and while we're at it we might just as well be readable.

■ Sig Eps at Drake made a substantial part of the down payment for their house with "blood money." In a desperate bid for the cash, more than 40 of the boys trooped to the hospital, and each sold a pint of his blood.

■ We are indebted to Jack Gamble of the livewire Cleveland Alumni Chapter for the information that the sons of two Cleveland Sig

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Eps have won positions of leadership as second generation members of Sigma Phi Epsilon. At Ohio Zeta (Baldwin-Wallace), Lewis Litzenberg, Jr., is chapter president this year (Pop hails from Ohio Alpha, '21). At Ohio Eta (Miami U.), Harold Hayes, Jr., is comptroller. Harold, Sr., lists Minneapolis Alpha, '23 as his alma mater.

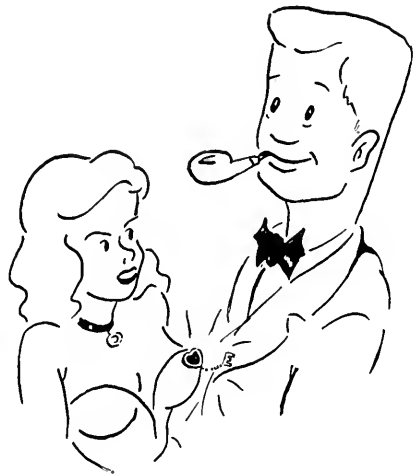
■ Evan J. Morris, whose chapter is really Penn State but he has been a stalwart of the Cornell chapter so long that recently the boys gave him a medal for it, got into the front pages of the *Cornell Widow* not long ago through his contribution of the "Lifesaver Joke of the Month." The joke is as follows:

*"Do you know why there is so much knowledge in College?"*  
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For this, Jerry was awarded a 12-roll carton of assorted Lifesavers.

■ Here's one for the *Widow*. A Cornellian's mother who had been receiving her son's worn shirts each week in the mail and returning them laundered one day received one that bore smudges of crimson on the tail.

Writing her son to inquire whether the spots were of catsup or whether they were lipstick so that she would know what to use to remove them—and hereafter to be more careful—she received his reply. "They are neither catsup nor lipstick. They are oxblood. Hereafter the brethren will allow no more oxen in the chapter house."



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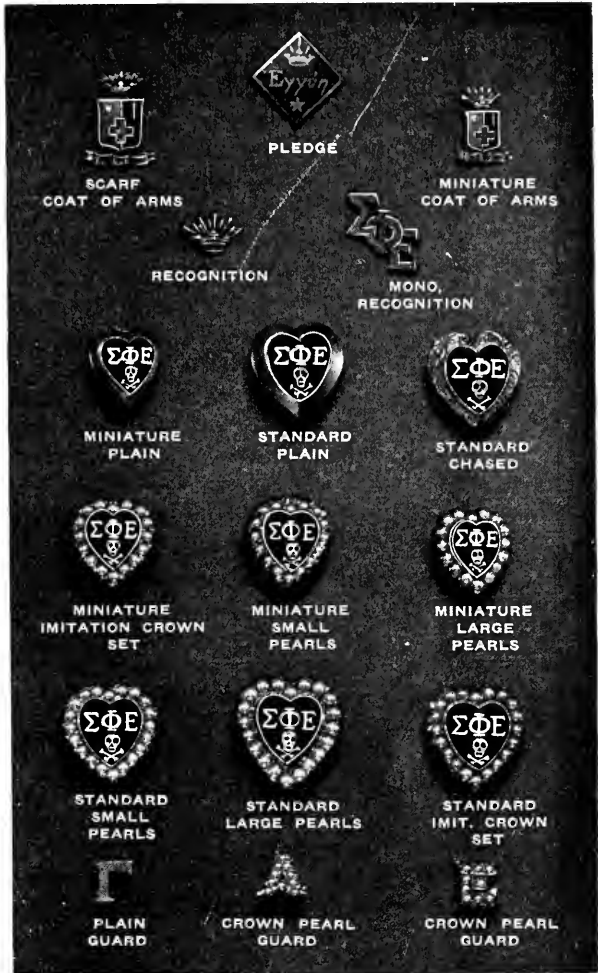
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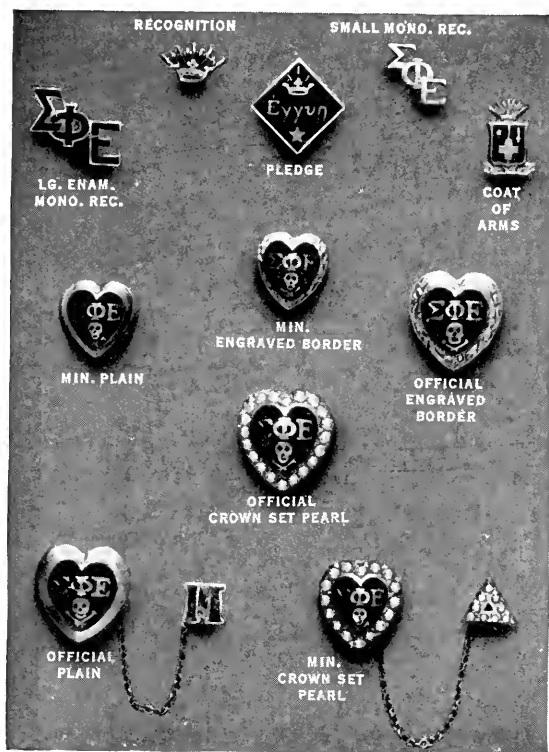
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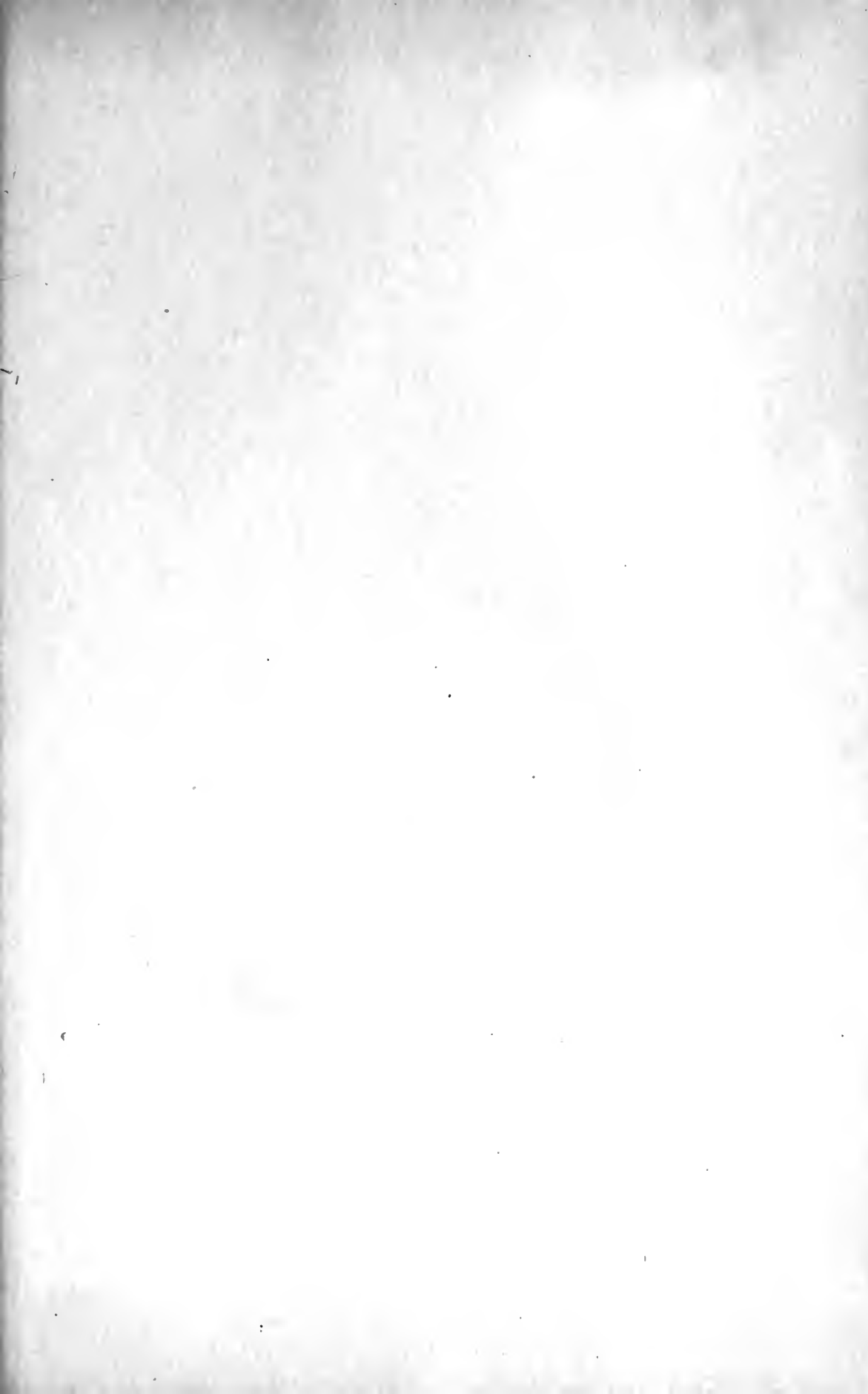
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